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Sir

It is with feelings of deep regret I have to report, that Mr William Campbell of Brantford 12 miles creek was accidentally injured on Saturday evening the 15th inst. returning home from his farm in Brantford, by a young Horse running away. Mr Campbell was thrown with violent force from the buggy dislocating his left shoulder, breaking his left arm near the elbow bone, and fracturing several bones in his breast and a severe cut on the left side of his head, injuring him so much as to cause his death on Lord's morning at 1 a.m. Mr William Campbell was an upright honest man & from long dwelling subject of Sir Angelo's, and was highly esteemed, and is 38 years old.

Mr Campbell's funeral which took place at 2 p.m. on Sunday was the largest I have ever seen in Brantford. 300 Carriages and buggies with respectable ladies and gentlemen and people of the Township of Brantford and Burford were in attendance and accompanied his remains to the last home of Mr Campbell family leaving the impressions of a long community.

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[illegible] Mr Campbell, the [illegible] paid to Mr [illegible] [illegible] the family of Mr Campbell. [illegible]

[illegible] Mr Campbell [illegible]

Mr [illegible]

It is to be regretted that Sam: Walmot, made the reports he did to you, at the instance of F. L. Kilvert, M.P. and The Game Club of Hamilton, against the late Mr. Wm. Campbell, ridiculing Mr. Campbells outlay on Machinery, to keep saw dust from his saw Mill, out of 12 mile Creek; and his unfounded assertions against me! — The great necessity for a fishway in Mr. Campbells dam! had I seen the necessity for a fishway. I would have reported several years ago. — —

Will you be pleased to send Mr. Bassett, or some person from your office to view Mr. C. dam, 12 mile creek, and it will then be found out how matters really are, at this present day. — There is no public necessity nor for building a fishway in Mr. Campbells dam at Progreston, "and this is the common sense view I have have long held, on this subject," - for if speckled trout and suckers, ever chance to get over a fishway built there, they could go about 150 yards to Greens dam, and no further. — —

I can see no public necessity for a Fishway being built involving expence. for the mere purpose of impounding fish and carp from at that! between Greens dam, and Mr. Campbells dam. — — About 120 yards at most,

Please give this your consideration? —

In about 3 weeks, all the logs at Mr. Campbells mill will be sawed; and if you still adhere to Sam: Walmots reports, to you backed up by the Hamilton Game club, of having a fishway built! a fresh Motion will now have to be served on the deceased son Mr. Samuel Campbell, Progreston. — — —

The late Mr. Wm. Campbell, had his senses up to the last moment of his existence in this world, he never entertained unkind feelings towards the Fisheries department, he and I were agreed on this subject. — — —

The late Mr. Wm. Campbell, and his family, knew

It is to be regretted that Gen: Hilliard never the
reports to did to you, at the instance of Mr. Hilliard &c.
our the Gens bill of Humility, against the last the Mr
Templer, indicating the Templeable entitled an allotment.
to keep Gen: dust from his own hills, out of 12 miles
beat; but his unpromised assertions against me. — He
great necessity for a pathway in the Templable Gen;
that I saw the necessity for a pathway I wonder how
reporter issued yours &c. — —

Will you be pleased to have the Commissioner come
person from your office to view the 60 Gen: 12 miles beat
out it would then be power out Gen matter tomorrow
at this present day. — There is no public necessity
for building a pathway in the Templable Gen at Cooperabee.
But this is the common Gen view I have long that
in this subject. For if expatriates least our Gentlers,
our claims to get rid a pathway built thro, they could
for about 150 yards to Green, and no further. — —

I saw no public necessity for a Pathway being
built running across for the mere purpose of enjoyment
my field out and for at that between Green Gen,
our the Templable Gen. — About 150 yards at most
Then give this your consideration; —

In about 3 months, as the lease at the Templable will
will be issued; but if you take action to Gen: Hilliard
reports, to your location my by the Humility Gen: that
of having a pathway built; a great effort will be made
then to be issued on the assessment on the Gen
Templable, Cooperabee. — — —

The lots the Templable, that his issue up to the
last moment of his questions in this order, to cause a
serious authority pending between the Pathway reports
must be our I were agreed in this subject. — —
The lots the Templable, our his family Gen

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perfectly well, where all the trouble, expense, and annoyance came from! . . . .

I may report that Mr. Thomas White, Minister of the Interior, Canada! when recently in Cardwell! amongst his constituents! I was told promised to see you and the Minister, respecting the last fine of $50.00 & and costs - imposed by The Game Club, and about the Fishway, being dispensed with altogether! . -

Robert Campbell, of Palgrave, Mr. Wm. Campbell's eldest son, is a warm and cordial supporter of Mr. Thos: Whites! and he, with deceased Wm. Campbell, called to see The Hon.ble Thomas White, when he was recently in Cardwell! . -

I have to apologize for taking up so much of your time and attention with this long letter. -

The proceedings carried on by Doctor Mallock, Constable McLean, and Hooper - And the Game Club of Hamilton is disproved of! And they are despised for persecuting the late William Campbell.

I am not afraid for to tell you the plain honest truth. -

Respectfully Submitted. -

John W. Kerr. -
Fishery Overseer.

3.

One Printed Circular! -

Samuel Campbell Esq.re
Progreston. —
Carlisle! —
Ont. -

Mailed on 19. August 1886. -
Please! put up in your Sam Mill! - J. W. Kerr F.O. -

respectfully make, when all the trouble, expense, and inconvenience cause them.

I most respectfully Thomas Wells, minister of the Interior, beseech, when reasonably in behalf, consider the entirely. I was then promised to see you and the ministry respecting the lost pine of $50.00 / one week - suspended by the same Wells, and about the Christmas being disappointed until altogether.

Robert Sampleee, of Calgary, the Hudsonplate, also in a manner and another supporter of the Wells: Wells! and he, until deceased Hudsonplate, called to see the the Thomas Wells, when he was reasonably in behalf week.

I then to apologize for taking up so much of your time and attention until this long letter. The proceeding account on by Wells already beautiful illusion, and Draper - that the same lost of Hamilton is disappointed. But they are desired by presenting the late Hudson Sampleee.

I am not against for to take upon the plain honest truth.

Respectfully submitted.

Witness:
Thomas Sampleee

The Minister Interior.

Thomas Sampleee his
Mark.

Witness to 19. August 1886.
Thomas: put up in upon the
Wells: - Witness &c. -

Wells.

19, July 1886

Hamilton Ont.

19. July 1886.

Sir.

I have the honor to send you Bank draft [illegible] of Twenty dollars. - - -

[illegible] to apply this amount for the [illegible] as follows: viz.t:- - -

1. Mrs Jane [illegible] Dist. of Niagara: On apt. of licence for to fish Seine in Niagara River and Lake Ontario: at the Town of Niagara: already received!. - - - - 10.00.-

2. Mr Dime Sherbenell, Burlington Beach!- "For a Boat licence to fish in Lake Ontario, fronting on Burlington Beach: and Salt fleet, already received, and delivered!. - the amount is. - - - - $5.00 c.-

3. Messrs A. Hunt, and John Lazel - Ridgeway:- "For a Boat licence to fish 500 yards of 3½ and "mesh Herring gill nets, in the public waters of "Lake Erie, fronting on the Township of Bertie".-

The amount herewith sent is.- $5.00 c.-

Total.. $20.00 c.-

I recommend that you will be pleased to grant this latter licence. - - -

I have the Honor to be,
Sir.-
Your Obedient Servant.-
John Wiker.
Bailiff Customs.

Department of Inland Revenue,
Ottawa, Ont.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Inland Revenue,
Ottawa, Ont.

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19. July 1856.

[illegible] to have to pay your board and [illegible] of [illegible] dollars. - - -

I request the amount for this [illegible] as follows: viz:- - -

1. [illegible] your board of [illegible]: to [illegible] of [illegible] for [illegible] this in [illegible] this year and [illegible] last: at the rate of [illegible]: [illegible] ..... 12.00 -

2. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] board: [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Hamilton. Ont.—
2nd August 1886.—

Sir,—

I attach for your information, a letter I received from Mr. J. B. Williams,— Secretary of The Natural History Society of Toronto.—

With your sanction and permission; I beg to report, that I can procure live specimens of fish for the Industrial Exhibition to be held at Toronto, in September.—

I can through Mr. W. B. Woolland— licensed fisherman— Port Credit,— procure Bass,— Pike,— Perch,— Suckers,— Mullet,— Catfish; and Trout;— Woolland can take them down in his Boat and deliver them at the Exhibition grounds, as soon as the Tanks are prepared —— there, for their reception.— Then; again, I can procure Sturgeon,— Pickerel,— Broad Mullet,— White Bass,— Speckled Bass,— Sun fish,— and a mixed variety of other fishes, in Lake Erie; from the Pound Nets,— at Port Dover;—

Having some business in Toronto on last Friday, I waited on Mr. J. B. Williams;— And explained matters.

I told him that personally— I had no power, to grant the privilege he sought for; but that I would submit his letter to you.— And I would recommend that you be pleased to grant the privilege asked for.— They will provide the Tanks for Conveying the fish to the Exhibition grounds, pay Express charges, and expenses for procuring the fish.— Respectfully submitted and I recommend the same for your immediate consideration.

John Wiker.
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa. Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.

Dec.

2nd August 1886.

I without for your information & leave I remain yours obt. J. B. Williams. Secretary of the Natural History Society of Toronto.

With your sanction and permission, I beg to report that I am prepared this afternoon of fact for the educational institution to be held at Toronto in September.

I am thought Mr. W. B. Wallace, Professor, Dr. Smith, Prof. Chas. Tele. Ellis, Charles, Mitchell, Hoffert, and Grant.

Wallace can take them down in his boat and deliver them at the Institution provided as soon as the tents are prepared — then for their reception. The expense I am prepared stipend, Grant allowed, Mitchell Chas. Hoffman Chas. Fish, and a major number of other fields in data this from the Bank which, at Dr. Ellis.

Having done business in Toronto on last Friday I written to Mr. J. B. Williams. Just explained matters I then him that personally I have no power to grant the privilege to sought for, but that I would submit his letter to you... but I would recommend that you be pleased to grant the privilege sought for... Will make provide the tents for carrying the fish to the institution provided just expense charge, and expenses for preserving the fish... Respectfully submitted and I remain the same for your immediate consideration.

Williams.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa, Ont.

Fishery Inspector.

Hamilton, Ont.,—
2. August 1886.—

My dear Harris!—

On receipt, place your fishing li-cence for this current year in an envelope and send it to me; I will then submit your case and send down your licence at same time... My own impression is, no person can remove you, and that the depart-ment at Ottawa may refuse interfering...

To find out from some old friend, to whom the strip of land belongs on which your shop is built over the little Creek or water course! whether it is Ordnance lands, or belongs to the Local or Dominion Government.—

please answer at once! with kind regards..

Yours sincerely,— John W. Kerr.—
Fishery Overseer.

Mr. Chester A. Harris,—
Port Erie!

O.S. The person who wrote letter for you for me or Mr Edan! perhaps can tell you.

A printed fishing licence!!...

Mr. John Hand,
Fisherman.—
Grimsby.—
Ont.

Mailed on 5th August 1886.

A printed fishing licence!!.....

Mr. A. Hunt,—
Bertie.—
Ridgeway.— O.
Ont.—

Mailed on the 5. August 1886.

Hamilton, Mont.

My dear Friend! — 2. August 1886.

In receipt please your finding £ — cause for this subject your in an envelope and lead it to me: I will then submit your care and have above your licence at home time. — Will are surprised as, no person can remove you, and that the deposit must at Hilton. and respect entitlement. —

I find not from those old friend, to whom the ability of land belongs. an until your day is built over the little Creek or water course. notwithstanding it is licence belongs to the Crown or Government Government. —

Please answer at once. until that respects. —

My Master & Friend. — Yours sincerely — Patrick Hilton —

Get date!

Patrick Hilton

Licence !!. —

Patrick Hilton

Licence !!. — — —

My dear Friend.

Hamilton. —

Patrick. —

Hilton —

Licence — Licence

Licence on file

2. August 1886.

My dear Friend.

Hamilton. —

Patrick. —

Hilton —

Licence — Licence

Licence on file

2. August 1886.

Hamilton, – Ont.
4. August 1886. –

My dear Gunsall. –

Yours of 2nd instant received! I dont care for a pup of any kind out of the Bitch you refer to...

So please dont trouble yourself on the subject.... I have been ailing since i was last in Toronto. I am now better.... I will write to Mr Stallwood this evening and if he can meet me, I will come down some days next week... I want to have a chat with him. – With kind regards! believe me! –

Yours Sincerely. –

Mr John Gunsall, Toronto. –

John W. Kerr –
F.S.

P.S. Please find out for me who are at present illegally fishing in Toronto and Ashbridges Bay. –

Yrs. J. W. Kerr. F.S.

Hamilton: Ont. –
4. August 1886. –

My dear Mr Stallwood: –

I had a letter from Toronto today, – telling me you had been there enquiring for me... Please appoint Monday, or Tuesday! next week and let me know at once and I will come down and meet you and have a chat, it is so long since I saw you!.

Has our friends at Leslieville got the license through you to seine fish! – your letter of recommendation was sent to me for report: and I went down, saw the Hotel Keeper who treated me like a Prince – paid me license fee, I sent it to the Department....

I am not very busy just now! – With kind regards! – as usual. –

Yours Sincerely. –

To, William Stallwood Esq.re

John W. Kerr –
Fishery Inspector
Hamilton Ont.

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[illegible] 4. [illegible] 1881.

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[illegible] 4. [illegible] 1881.

Mr. Frank Reid.—
Mrs. and Charlott Reid, Hamilton, Ont.
Clarksons — P.O.,— 4. August 1886,—

On receipt of your letter, I called on the Insurance Agent, here! told him the place was already insured for $1.000.
Until the Policy Expires — in January next, no change can be made in the Insurance.
I told Mr. Hazlett, who wanted to know who held the Policy, — I told him; I supposed Mr. Clarkson. . . .
When I arrived at Clarksons — on last Friday, — I stepped off the Train, handed boy, to Clarkson for P.—
Clarkson told me William, was there, I then got on the Train — saw Wm. up the Road with the Team, — I had to go on to Toronto. . . .
I expect to go to Toronto some day next week and I wish to see you and talk all our own affairs over. . . .

When matters are settled up, with the Legatees! arrangements and an Agreement has to be entered into between Mrs. Reid and myself, regarding the Slade Farm. . .
I will buy and appraise you the next time, and Train — I go by to Toronto, so that you can meet me and ride down to Port Credit. . . .
With Kind regards. —
Yours Sincerely. . .
Jos. E. Wilkes —
J.E.W.

2.

My Dear Dick.—

My Blackett Dick, Hamilton, Bart.
Blackness. G.P.— 4. August 1886.—

On receipt of your letter, I got
on the summer Depot, too! tide too
the place was already crowded for 4000.
Until the Orderly Sergeant—in formed me,
we should not be move in the morning.
I told my Chaplain who wanted to
know if I could write home; I told
him; I supposed my Blackness. ...
Without arrived at Blackness—on Sat
Friday. I stepped off the train, thanks
for the Blackness for

Blackness tide we Wilkins, was there,
I then got on the train—our Mr
my tile door with the Blanc—I
had to go on to Bravata. ...
I supposed to go to Bravata home only
next week and I would to see you and
tell all our news opposite ...

When matters are settled up with
the deputies! arrangements must our
Government has to be entered into the
Tuesday Mr. Dick our engaged, regarding
the Black Prince. ...

I write by most opposite you the
next time, and Thanks—I go to Bravata
so that you can meet me your tide
down to Port Alfredt. ...

With Kind regards. ...

Yours Sincerely, ...
Hamilton—
B.

2.

Mr Patk Stand, Hamilton, Ont.
Winona: Ont. } 4. August 1886.

My dear Paddy! —

I am called upon by the Fisheries Department, to know the reason why, I have issued licenses before first receiving license fees. . . .

Will you be pleased to send me your Money, on receipt. — —

With kind regards to you, and Yours! believe me. . . .

Yours truly. —
John Wiker. —
Fishery Overseer.

Hamilton! Ont, —
4. Aug ust 1886. —

My dear Sir. —

In order to prevent some one from complaining against you! for fishing for Salmon Trout and White fish.? without a license! I send you one this day. —

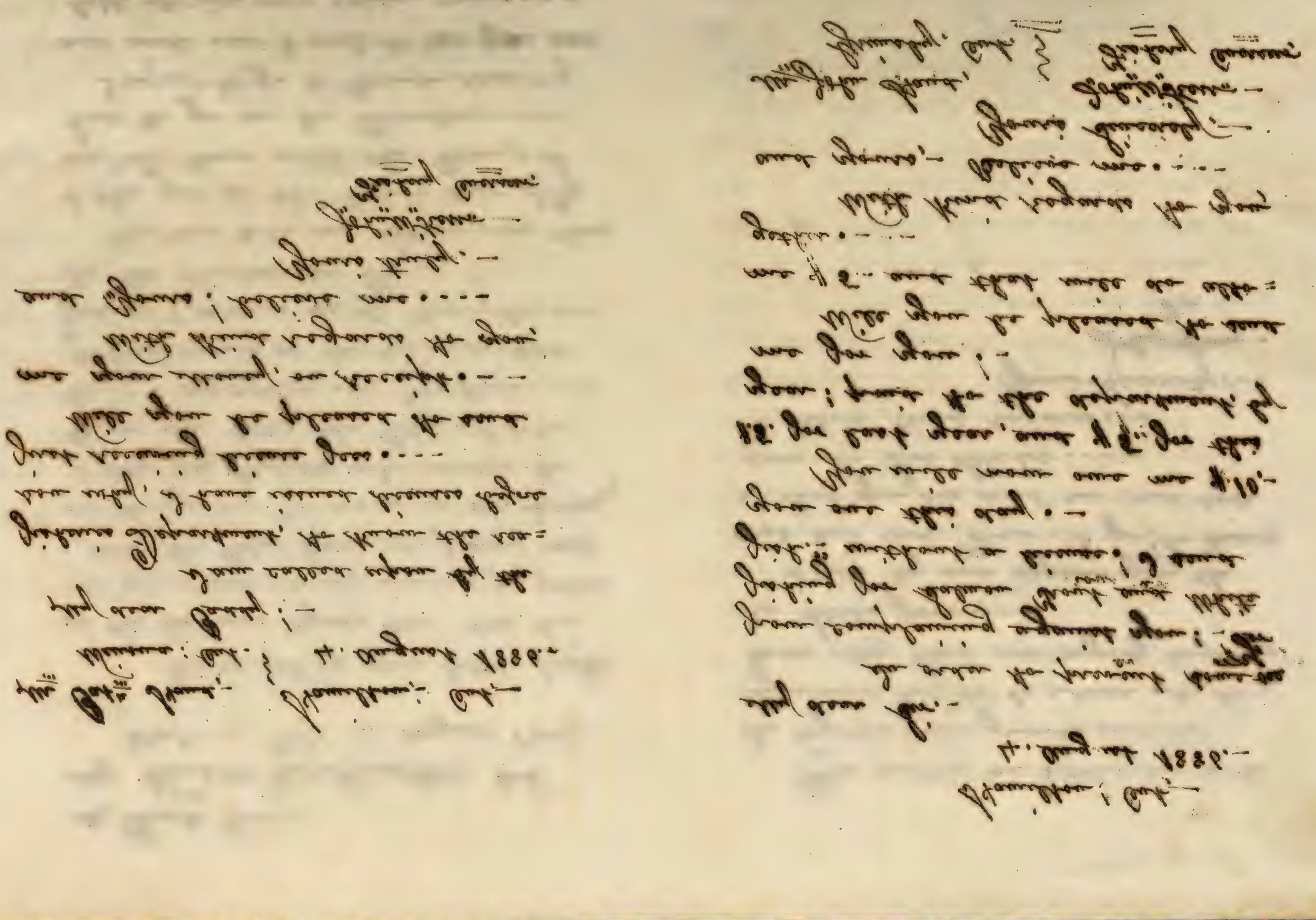
You will now owe me $10.- 1.5. for last year, and $5.- for this year! paid to the department, by me for you! —

Will you be pleased to send me $5.- and that will do altogether. . . .

With kind regards to you, and yours, — Believe me. . . .

Yours Sincerely, —
John Wiker. —
Fishery Overseer.

Mr John Stand,
Grimsby, Ont. }



Hamilton, Ont.—

5th August 1886.—

Sir,—

I have to report, that I received the enclosed letter from Messrs Beatty, Lash and Cox,— Barristers, of Toronto, this day.---

Mrs Jane Gray, deceased! referred to in the letter died a couple of years ago! she was the widow of the late Patrick Gray,— for many years a licensed fisherman on Toronto Island; and sister to James Simpson now referred to in the letter.--

After Mr Gray's untimely death by drowning, Mrs Jane Gray,— the widow took out a licence annually during her life time; "altho she never fished"— until her death which happened about 2 years ago.—

The cottage referred to, it appears she willed to her brother James Simpson.— Overseer William Mellowell,— has informed me that James Simpson— has repeatedly applied to him for a fishing licence; so that he Simpson,— might be in a position to resist the City Council of Toronto Authority, in this matter! I advised Overseer, Mellowell— not to interfere.---

This cottage was the first House occupied by the late Patrick Gray,— at Gibraltar point, for many years.—

It was removed from where it formerly stood, to the place where it now stands; about 15 years ago, and there it has remained ever since, not a fish house which it formerly was, when I first knew it 20, years ago! but fitted up comfortably as a cottage for Mrs Gray,— deceased to live in and to rent.---

At that time, the place where this cottage now stands was on the East side of the western Inlet, of the Island, which runs south in rear of Stanlan's

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa.— Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.—

Sir:— 5th August 1886.—

I have to report that I received the enclosed letter from Mrs Martin, about our Inspector of Brands, this day.—

Mrs Jane Grant, deceased! referred to in the letter, was a sample of years ago! she was the mother of the Patrick Grant.— for many years a licensed Jobber on Manitoulin Island; and died to James Simpson now referred to in the letter.—

Mrs Mrs Grant's authority about the drowning, Mrs Jane Grant.— the mother then got a licence annually running for life time; "while she never married;" until her death which happened about 2 years ago.—

The cottage referred to, it appears she builded to her brother James Simpson.— Duncan McKinnon McKinnon, has informed me that James Simpson— has repeatedly applied to him for a fishing licence; as that he Simpson, might be in a position to report the illegal licensed of Manitoulin Island, in this matter. I received Duncan McKinnon— not to interfere.—

This cottage was the first house occupied by the Patrick Grant.— at Gibraltar point, for many years.—

It was removed from where it formerly stood. to the place where it now stands; about 15 years ago.

and there it has remained ever since, not a fish house which it formerly was, when I first knew it 30 years ago! but fitted up respectably as a cottage for Mrs Grant.— deceased to live in and to rent.—

At that time, the place where this cottage now stands was on the East side of the western creek of the island, which runs south in rear of Hamilton

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa.— Ont.

Robe. past Grange Street! as laid down on the plan of the Island then! on a portion of the Fishery Reserve.

James Simpson, is a litigious person, - my impression is, when Mrs Jane Gray, - died! every thing fishing, then died with her: and that James Simpson, has no legal right whatever to retain the Cottage longer on Toronto Island; than the City of Toronto Corporation permits him! and I believe Simpson should remove it away, when ordered.

Things have changed since I first knew Toronto Island 21 years ago! - The fisheries in Toronto Bay, and the Ponds and the Inlets on Toronto Island, being now vested in the Corporation of the City of Toronto including the fishery revenues on the Bay-Ponds and Inlets only, - including this Cottage...

I see no alternative for James Simpson but to leave.. I however thought it best to give you the above particulars.. And ask your permission first, for liberty for me to communicate them with Messrs Blake, Lash, Cassels and Hickson, Barristers, - Toronto, and for your instructions in the premises...

Respectfully Submitted. -

John Wickens -
Fishery Overseer.

Circular! - dated 2. July 1886!

2. -

W. G. Gurney Esq.
Merchant.
Pt. Hope
Ont.

Mailed on
16. August 1886.

Dear Sir, I have received your letter of the 8th inst. in which you state that James Simpson, a lighting person, and superior to other persons here, died: and asking, the date with him: and that James Simpson, has no legal right whatever to return the battery charge or charge deposit, then the Entry of Charge Superintendent passed him! and I believe Simpson should be = more at ease, rather because.

Thing have changed since I first charged so = long 21 years ago!. The position is charge day, and the time and the duties or charge delivery is now vested in the Superintendent of the Entry of charge including the Entry Issues or the day time and duties only, including the battery.

I see no alternative for James Simpson but to leave. I however think it best to give the other particulars. Just such your per = mission first, for Entry for me to communicate the with the Hants. Chd. Towards our Inform. Superior. Charge, and for your = attention in the premises. —

Respectfully Submitted. —

Entry Clerk. —

Winchester :- October 2. July 1886.

Entry Superior

J. —

Entry Superior
Winchester R. M. R.
Hants

Winchester on
16. August 1886.

Copy/...

Department of Fisheries.—

Sir,— Ottawa, 3rd August 1886.

In answer to your letter of 2nd instant, I beg to state that this Department has no objection to your giving all possible assistance to "The Natural History Society of Toronto" towards procuring live fish to be exhibited at the Industrial Exhibition next September, provided the Society pays all expenses incurred in procuring such fish.—

I am,
Sir,—
Your Obedient Servant,
John Tilton,—
Deputy Minister of Fisheries.

J. W. Kerr, Esqre
Fishery Overseer,
Hamilton, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont;—
6. August 1886.—

My dear Sir,—

Having submitted your application for live fish to be exhibited at the Industrial Exhibition to be held at Toronto, next September, to The Fisheries department, Ottawa; and recommended the same for the consideration of The Deputy Minister of Fisheries.—

In answer thereto, I send you reply, "Copy herewith!"—

If this will suit your purpose, please let me know when you have arrangements made and tanks prepared for the safe removal and reception of the fish; and I will then make preparations to procure a variety of live fishes for you.

Yours Sincerely—
John Wiker.—
Fishery Overseer.

J. B. Williams Esqre
No: 116, John Street,
Toronto, Ont.

Copy.—

Department of Fisheries.—

Sir,— Ottawa, 3rd August 1886.

In answer to your letter of 2nd instant, I beg to state that this Department has no objection to your giving all possible assistance to the bearer this, Joseph Doherty of Chatham towards procuring his fishing gear to be exhibited at the Colonial Exhibition next September, provided the Doherty pays all expenses incurred in procuring said gear.—

I am,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

John Tilton,—

Deputy Minister of Fisheries.

J. W. Allen, Esq.,
Fishing Gear,
Hamilton, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.,—

Aug. 6th 1886.—

Having submitted your application for his gear to be exhibited at the Colonial Exhibition to be held at Chatham, next September, to the Fisheries Department, Ottawa, I am recommended the same for the consideration of the Deputy Minister of Fisheries.—

In answer thereto, I have your reply, "Copy forwarded."

If this will suit your purpose, please let me know when you have arrangements made and I will proceed to the cage removed our receptacle of the gear; and I will then make preparations to procure a portion of his gear for you.

J. W. Allen, Esq., Gear Fisheries Commissioner,
No: 116, John Street.

Chatham, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.
6. August 1886.—

My dear Sharp!

I am just in receipt of $5.— from your friend A. Schumacher of Normandale.—

Applying for Boat license for to fish 3,000 Yards of Stering Gill net in Lake Erie, between the Welland Canal and Port Dover! during this current year!.. What say you to this?— Please answer!—

Yours Sincerely.—
John W. Kerr.—
Fishery Overseer.

D. Sharp Esq
Fishery Overseer.
Port Ryerse, Ont.

Mr Frank Reid.
and
Mrs Charlotte Reid.

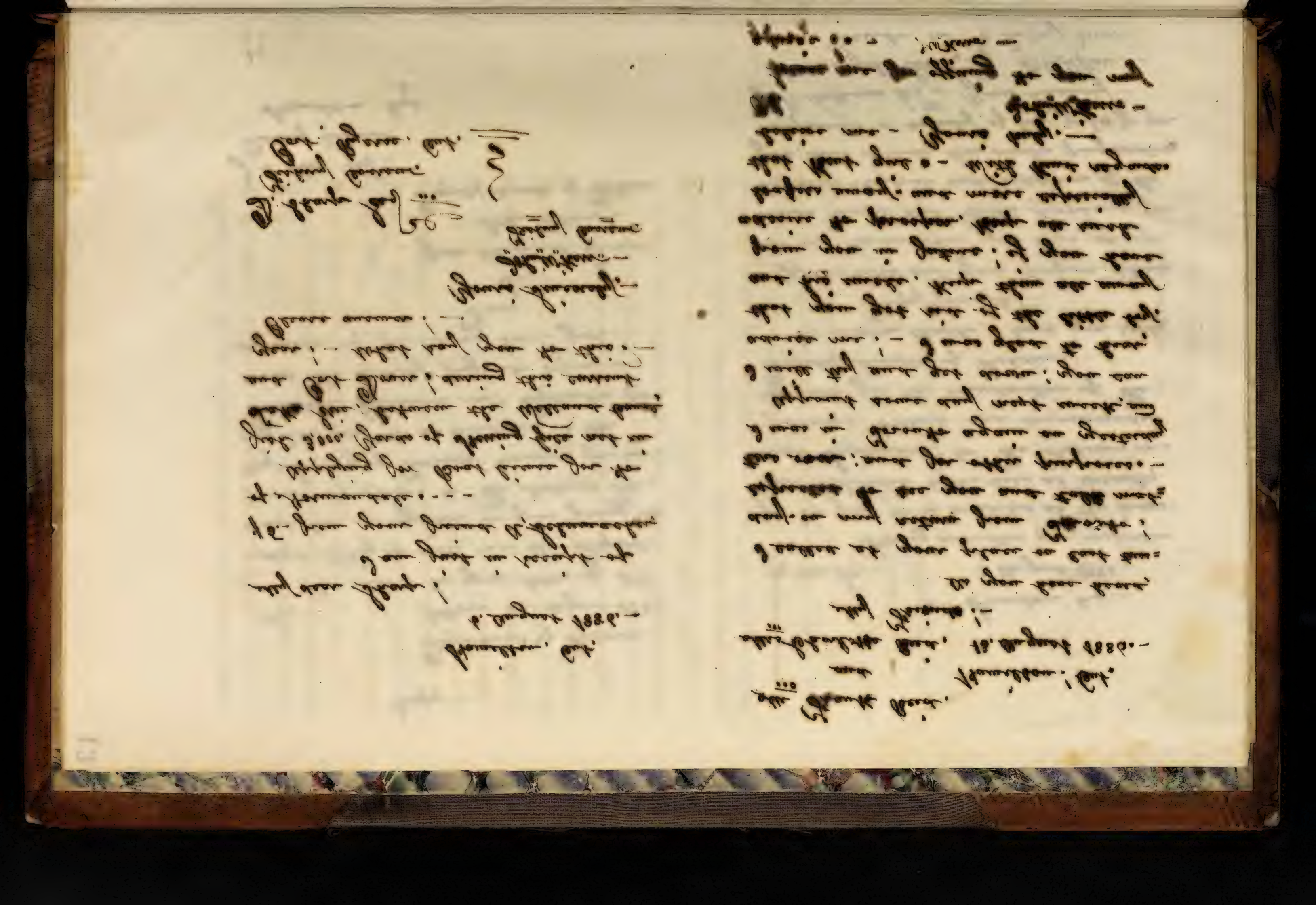
Hamilton! Ont.
18. August 1886.—

My Friends!—

As you have heard, I called at your place on last Tues-day on my return from Toronto! expecting to see you and talk matters over; and for other purposes.— I was in Toronto again on yesterday. Appoint some day next week, and I will try and get down: you can advise me!— I was glad to hear, that you got rid of the little boy, and his uncle. Keep them all away from you in future! if you have a desire to prosper. Keep all such loafers away. and more especially that that girl.— With kind regards believe me— Yours truly.—

John W. Kerr.—

P.S. Excuse me for offering to you my opinion!.— J.W. Kerr.—



Hamilton. Ont:—

7th August 1886.---

Sir,

I have the honor to send you herewith;—
Bank draft No: 329.- for the sum of Six dollars.--
Will you be pleased to apply this amount for this current year! as follows:— Viz.t.----

1. George Hall and Coy.— Burlington Beach:—
On account of Boat licence, already received, the amount is $15.00 c. sent now!— $5.00 c.-

2. James Gordon: Grantham! For a Boat licence to fish 100 yards of Herring Gill net 3½ inch mesh! in Lake Ontario: bay commencing at the Eight mile Creek, Lake shore! Thence East for a distance of 40. chains.---
And to extend from the beach, outwards in the Lake for a distance of 200 yards! $1.00 c.-
Total: $6.00 c.--

Respectfully Submitted!-
and I recommend that you will be pleased to grant licence to James Gordon!—

I have the Honor to be,-
Sir.—
Your Obedient Servant,—
John Wiken.—
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,—
Department of Fisheries.—
Ottawa! Ont.

Hamilton, Ont:—

Sir,

7th August 1886.—

I have the honor to send you herewith:—

Court draft No: 329. for the sum of fifty dollars.—

Will you be pleased to apply the amount for this current year, as follows:— Pay $.—

1. Frank Wade one dog.— Dundurn Guard:—

On account of Guard license, already received, the amount is $15.00 $. Just now:— $5.00 $.—

2. James Gordon: Hamilton: For a Goat license to fight 100 yards of fencing this not 5½ inch mesh: in depth between: dog commencing at the fight mile post, depth above: Allow Goat for a distance of 40. chains.—

Due to return from the Guard, authorate is the depth for a distance of 200 yards: $4.00 $.—

Total. $9.00 $.—

Respectfully Submitted:—

I recommend that you write to please to grant license to James Gordon:—

I have the honor to be,—

Sir.—

Your obedient Servant.—

Hamilton.—

Stanley Gordon.

The Deputy Minister—
Department of Marine.—
Ottawa: Ont.

Hamilton! - Ont.-
18. August 1886.-

Sir. -

I have the honor to send you Bank draft No: 847.- for the sum of Ten dollars.---

Will you be pleased to apply this amount for this current year as license fees as follows: viz:-

1. John Hand. Grimsby.- "For a Boat license to fish Gill nets in Lake Ontario! fronting on Bellfleet and Grimsby." already received and delivered! amount is. - - - - - $5.00 c.-

2. Augus Schomacher.- Normandale! - "For a Boat License to fish 3,000.- yards of Herring gill nets- in Lake Erie, 3½" inch mesh! between the Welland Canal, and Port Dover", during this current year! the amount now sent is $ 5.00 c.-

Total. - $.10.00 c.-

I recommend that you will be pleased to grant this license! -

As a portion of the place applied for, is in Overseer Sharp's division! I wrote him on the 6th instant thus: -

My dear Sharp, - I am just in receipt of $5.- from your friend A. Schomacher of Normandale; applying for Boat license for to fish 3,000. yards of Herring gill nets in Lake Erie, between the Welland Canal and Port dover, during this current year! what say you to this? please answer?. -

As I have received no reply! I am detain this report no longer. --

Respectfully Submitted. -

The Deputy Minister, Department of Fisheries, Ottawa! Ont. -

John Wiser.
Fishery Overseer.

Honolulu, Oahu,

Sir, — 18. August 1886.—

I have the honor to send you Bank draft No: 8147. for the sum of Dollars.—

Will you be pleased to apply the amount for this amount you so kindly gave me for license.

Name: Ng Yee

1. Jan. Street. Friendly. — Cr. — Bank license to paint fire rock in dark Lotus! Painting on display out Friendly? Advertising necessary advertising! amount is. — — — $5.00 ¢.

2. Dayna Advertiser. Honolulu. — Cr. — Bank license to paint 3000. pounds of flowing fire rock in dark blue. 3 = "inch round! between the Hotel house and Bat Street" showing the amount year! The amount now bank is $5.00 ¢.

Total. — $10.00 ¢.

I remember that you made to please to grant this license. —

As a portion of the place applied for, is in Chinese Temple division. I wrote him on the 14th instant thus: —

Mr. Ng Yee Hoop. — I am quite in receipt of $5.- from you please to Advertiser of Honolulu; applying for Bank license for to paint 3000. pounds of flowing fire rock in dark blue, between the Hotel house and Bat street showing the amount year! what day you to this; please answer. —

As I have received no reply; I am detain this report no longer. —

Respectfully submitted. —

W. Chapman Minister,
Department of Finance.

Finance Bureau
Honolulu, Oahu. —

Private!

Hamilton! Ont. —

18. August 1886. —

My dear Mellwinde! —

I found upon enquiries I made on Toronto Island on yesterday, that the small seine net, found spread out on the Lake Ontario - fishing on the fishing ground by Messrs Wm Ward, and Wm Johnson! and seized by them!!, is the property of George Leslie & M. Ballander Esqrs and others. —

On receipt of this I would advise you to go and see Mr William Ward, get back the seine net from him and restore it to the owners --- Dont allow Constable Wm Lang to meddle in your affairs. — Please report to me as soon as you perform this duty. — I consider Messrs Ward and Johnson, exceeded their duty. — Yours Sincerely. —

Wm Mellwinde Esqre
Highland Creek.

John W. Kerr —
Fishery Overseer.

P.S. —

As soon as I get your report, I will make Ward and Johnson, keep their hands off! — If they want to take up nets — they can do so, in Crowton Bay, and Ashbridges Bay. —

I dont find Wm Johnsons name in the Blue Book, for 1885. —

In any case he should not have seized Messrs Leslie and Ballanders seine - fishing under a licence paid for! - countersigned and delivered by you! - Ward and Johnsons business is to seize nets found fishing in the Bays! but not "Licensed nets spread out to dry on the land! without their Jurisdiction. --- Yours &c.

John W. Kerr —
F. O.

Private!

Hamilton! Sept.—

My dear Hamilton! —

13. August 1856.—

I have upon enquiring I
see on Thursday should be yesterday.
That the mails have not been open
at the office Saturday. Finding on the
finding yesterday My letter to Mr Johnson,
Mr Johnson, must assign for them!!
as the property of Jenny claims of the
Hallowes by me other. —

In receipt of this I would assure you
he you see see Mr Johnson there, yet but
the have not been since see see the of
the answers. — That when Thursday
see Mr Johnson. He would in your
opinion. — Please report to me as
soon as your proceeding this study. —
I remain always Mr Johnson, ever
greater than study. — Yours sincerely. —
Mr Hallowes by Mr
Jenny Hamilton. — Chas. Hamilton.

Q.A.—

Do soon as I get your report
I will write more more Johnson, for
then hands off! — If they want to take
up rents — they can do so in Thursday
they must be Bailiffs they. —
I don't give Mr Johnson name in
the Film Court, for 1856. —
In my case I believe not the
Jenny Mr Hamilton claims our Hallowes
Jenny — Nothing answer a Jenny point
for! — Consequence must delivered
by you! — Have our Johnson
business as he Jenny rent yours
finding in the Jenny! but not it
cannot not appear out to city as
the Jenny without then Jenny date
tion. — Yours &c.
Chas. Hamilton —
&c.

Hamilton, Ont.
14. August 1886. ---

Sir

With reference to my application and recommendation to you of 13th instant for a Boat license being granted to Angus Schomacher of Normandale! I now attach Overseer D. Sharp's reply on the subject, objecting in to to against Schomacher obtaining a fishing license. ---

I cannot agree with Overseer Sharp in his personal reasons for with holding a license from Schomacher! "who is at least entitled to British fair play!" —

"The Dominion of Canada, one every man a living, I, for one, cannot agree with the Overseer in withholding the means of living from Angus Schomacher, and his wife, of Normandale. — I send you D. Sharp's letter, "a gem in itself" — without remarks. —

Schomacher, when he arrived at Turkey point, about 18 years ago! came from Hong Kong, where he had been employed by the British Government, as a Pilot in the Chinese Seas! has been a resident fisherman, on Lake Erie ever since. ---

He is a good sailor, and a daring fellow! cares nothing for Overseer Sharp! I always got along very well with him. — He sells his fish to the Tribe of Buffalo, the same as our Elgin Division fishermen do! ---

The objections raised by Overseer Sharp, I hope you will find good and sufficient reasons in his own letter alone, to me; to frown them down. —

In case you think differently. — I recommend that a license be granted Schomacher to fish in Lake Erie, between Grand River and Point Abino! —

Respectfully Submitted! — John W. Kerr —
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fishing,
Ottawa, Ont.

P.S. — I am managing Schomacher, besides! he is a friend of mine (Gentleman.) and so is Mr. Chilles!! but Sharp knows nothing about it. — Mr. J.
I suppose never mind!!! — "Hillsdown" — J.O.

Hamilton, Ont.

14. August 1886. ---

With reference to my application and recommendation to you of 15th instant for a Hawker's License being granted to Eugene Mahoney of Hamilton, I now attach Barber & Sharp's reply on the subject objecting on the ground of Mahoney attempting a fishing license. ---

I cannot agree with Barber & Sharp in the personal reasons for not detaining a license from Mahoney; who is at least entitled to District fair play. —

The Dominion of Canada, one every man a living, & for me, cannot agree with the Barber in withholding the means of living from Eugene Mahoney and his wife & children. - I have yours of 9th ultimo letter, "I give in steady" without remarks. -

Mahoney, who is married at Stratford, point about 18 years age, came from Long Branch, with he had been employed by the District Government as a Diver in the Welland Canal; his been a respectable citizen ever since. ---

He is a good driver, and a strong fellow; I cannot see Barber Sharp & Mahoney get along very well with him. - He asks his fair to allow Thistle of Buffalo, the same as are Hagen Dominion Fishermen &c. --

The objection raised by Barber & Sharp, I hope you will point good and sufficient reasons in the new letter above, to me; to prove them error. —

I see you think differently. I recommend that a license be granted Mahoney to fish in Cootes Bay between Beaver River and Point Abino. —

Respectfully submitted. —

Stratford Beacon

The Deputy Minister
of Marine & Fisheries.
Ottawa. Ont.

Copy — 1886.

Dear Sir, — Port Rowan, August 12th

Yours of the 6th instant received and in answer I can only say, Schumacher cannot fish in this division any more with my consent; he has given me more trouble than all the rest of the fishermen in the Division, and they dont want him to fish any more either: and he is liable for three fines. — Now please do not give him any encouragement to fish in this division any more; things is all quiet here now and we had better keep him out, he knows he cannot get a licence of me, and that is the reason he up a plea to you. —

Yours Truly: —

D. Sharp, —

Fishery Overseer.

J. W. Kerr Esqre
Fishery Commr.
Hamilton, Ont.

Read, copies to be sent to the deputy minister! fines twice for 12 years is not much. — Cover keep, should make him pay up the remainder he got a licence the month before the year ended. — H.

Hamilton, Ont. —
16. August 1886. —

My friend Richard! —

You owe the Fisheries department, Ottawa — $6.00 balance on your licence for year ending 31st December 1885; and I am called upon for this amount; will you be pleased to send me this $6. at your earliest convenience. — —

Weather (Cool) permitting you will I expect begin fishing about 20th of September next! all licence fees then! will have to be paid in advance. —

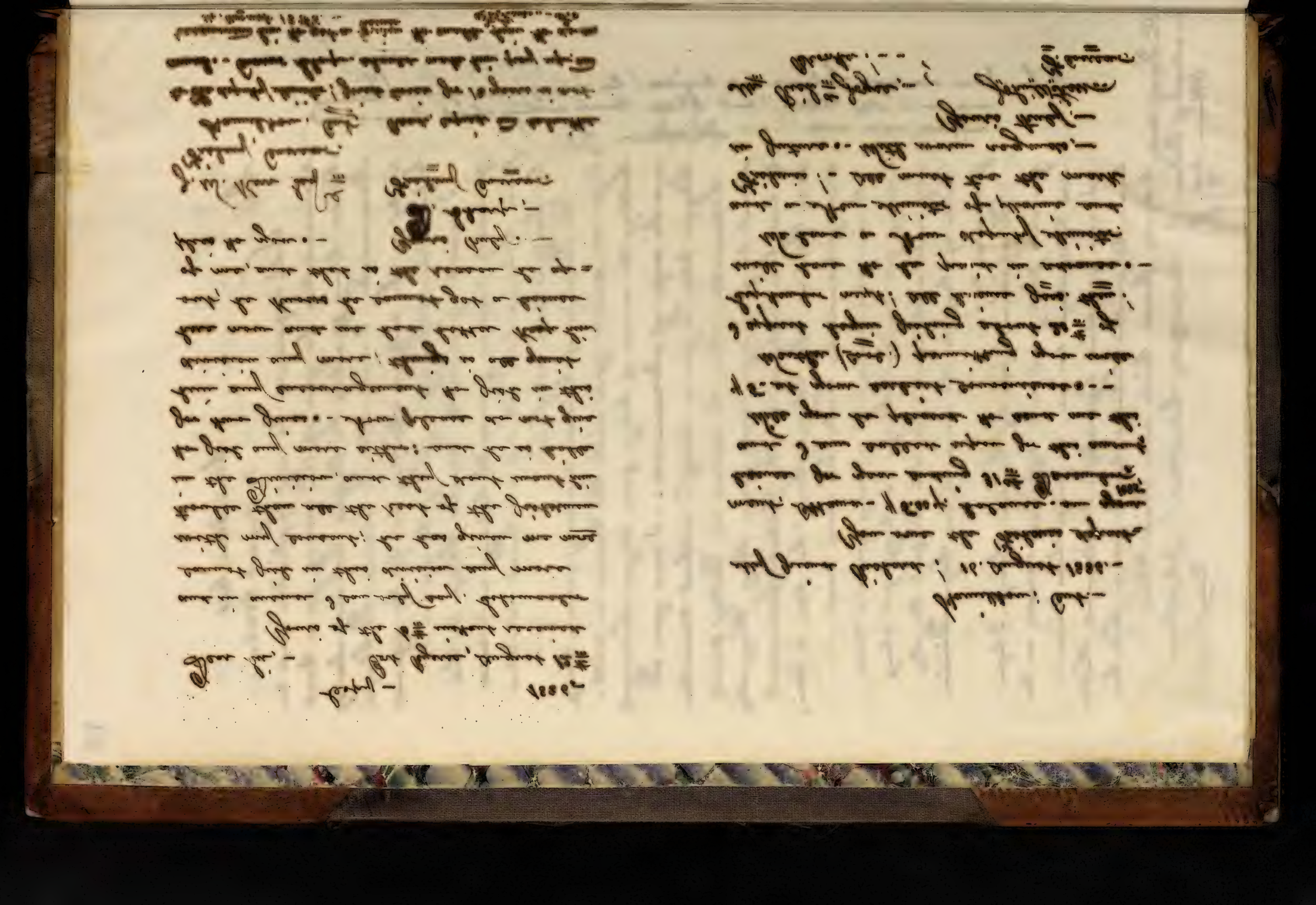
We have a new deputy minister, and a new minister of marine and Fisheries! — All must toe the mark in future. — With warm regards, —

Yours truly, —

J. W. Kerr

Mr. Richd Joyce, —
Bronte! — —

F. Overseer.



Hamilton. Ont.—
14. August 1886.—

Sir,—

I beg to report and submit for your consideration—a letter addressed to me by Mr C. A. Harris, a licensed fisherman, at Fort Erie, dated 24th July last, and a subsequent letter, dated 12th instant.— What Mr and Mrs Harris wants; so far as I understand the application is simply this!.—

Fronting the fishing ground at Fort Erie, on Dominion Government property,— Harris has a workshop, for building and repairing boats in, also for repairing and hanging his river seines.

Between his dwelling house, and this lot, the public street, fronting on this strip of Dominion perty is situated.— Between the Workshop, and the Niagara River, is an old abandoned dilapidated roadway back of a condemned railway and wharf; no longer in use.—

I see no objection of Mr Harris and his wife still occupying this small piece of property fronting on their Residence, the same as they have done, for several years past.—

I respectfully submit and recommend the matter for your consideration.— It might in future be included in their annual fishing license! if you approve.— The fishing is a failure owing to the large discharge of filth of all kinds and description! running from a large main sewer in the City of Buffalo in to the Niagara River— polluting the waters thereof.

Respectfully submitted.—

John W. Kerr
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa.— Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.—

Dear Sir,— 14th August 1886.—

I beg to report our submit for your consideration a letter addressed to me by Mr. G. A. Morris, a business gentleman, at Port Elgin, dated 24th July last, and a subsequent letter, dated 12th instant.— Both of our city aldermen concur; so far as I understand the application is simply this:—

Granting the fishing grounds at Port Elgin, a Dominion Government property, shall be a worthy, for building and repairing boats in also for repairing and keeping the boats dry.

Between the dwelling house, and this lot, the public street, bordering on the entire of Dominion property is situated.— Between the waterway and the offices lower, is an old abandoned edifice = dated nowhere, built of a boathouse and very and; no longer in use.—

I see no objection of Mr. Morris and the city aldermen occupying the small piece of property bordering on their residence, the same as they have done, for several years past.—

I respectfully submit and recommend the matter for your consideration.— It might in future be included in their annual fishing leases! if you approve.— The fishing is a fishery among to the large stockings of fish of all kinds and description! running from a large main lower in the bay of Quinte in to the Napanee River.— pollution the water thereof.

Respectfully submitted.—

The Superintendent
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa.— Sir.

Thomas Bassett.
Fishery Overseer.

Hamilton, - Ont. -

My dear Mr. Emery. - - - 16. August 1886. -

Except summer complaints, I am very well... I hope you and family are in the enjoyment of God's choicest blessing: "good health". Kindly remember me to Mrs. Emery, and to your daughters and son! God bless you all.

Now! when time is given us to consider Mr. Brides case! I feel sorry for the unpleasant position he got himself in to!! - - -

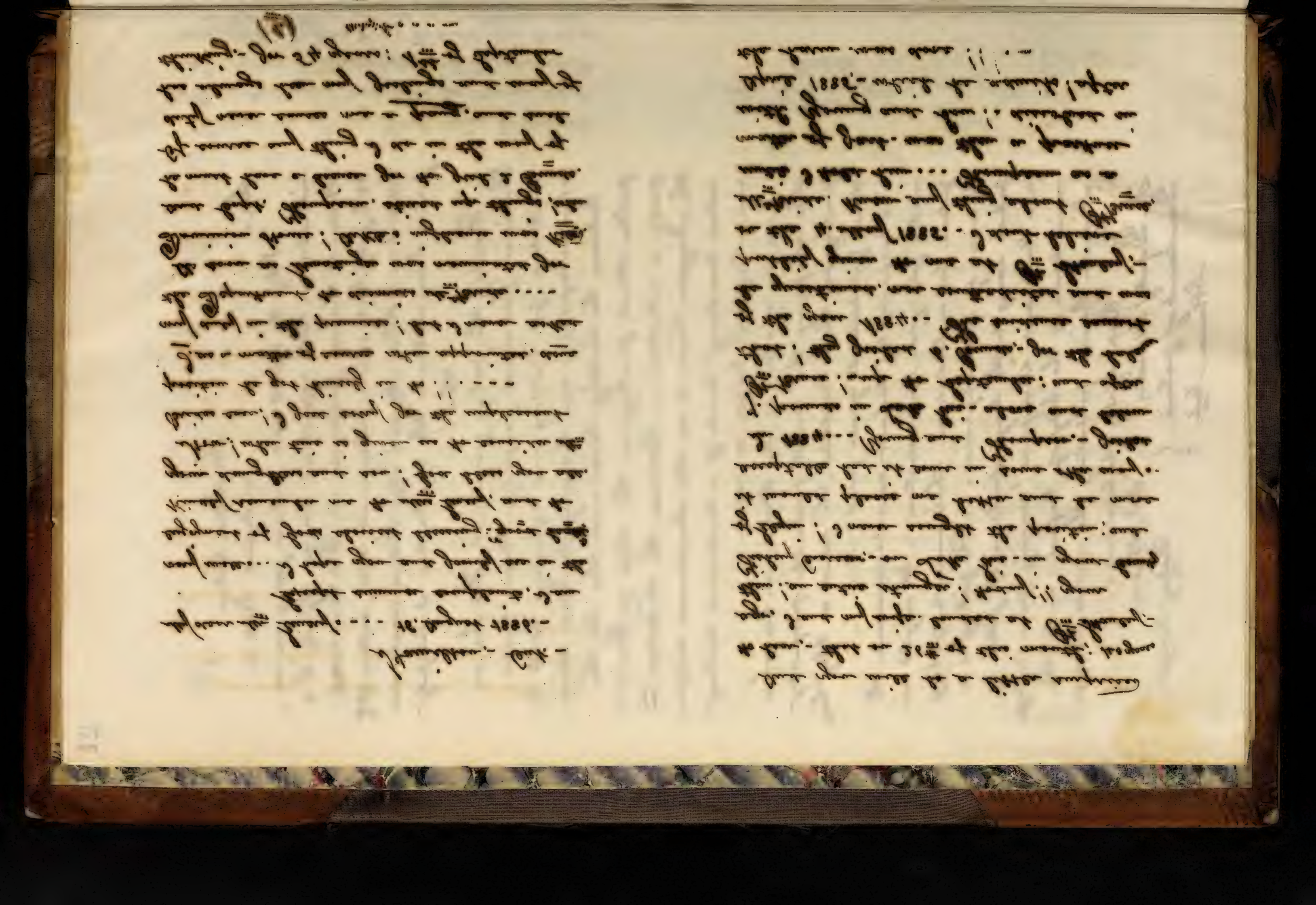
I, as a matter of course when appointed, done my duty in the premises! but I never asked the Department to dismiss Mr. Pride....

As soon as Mowat was nominated for Dominion House! Attie's influence was felt, and Capt. Thompson, stirred up things! who he must have a licence for to fish 2 Counties. Of course any thing I do in the way of duty never causes me a pang, and such has always been my feelings and way of thinking, - for 54 years: 1st of September

 Midnight. . . . . .

And you will be a little surprised to hear, - that on 26th of this month; 40 years ago, I and my wife, landed at Pt. Stanley, - then! an entire stranger! today!!! your Fishery Overseer, - on Lake Erie - in your County of Elgin! I never sought the position; and it would please me better and be more acceptable had it come in some other way. -

In 1884... Young and Thompson, - fished 7. miles in Lake Erie, - above and below Pt. Bruce! up to September; and after that! they fished 6. Miles, - for the balance of the year 1884.. The evidence cannot be questioned, nor contradicted and was publicly given to me at Pt. Stanley; - on the 4. day 1885.. I dont believe Mr. Pride, knew any thing about Pt. Bruce, until I told him... Thompson as a matter of fact, was then a partner with Young and Law! - dissolved in April 1885, - which he admits! after the harm was done!! . -



I feel deep regret for our mutual friend. Mr Brooks! always good natured and kind to me... It is so unpleasant, my position sometimes.---

As soon as the weather sets down, next month: I will come up!- have you taken out your pounds;- overhauled, repaired and tar'd them for gill gilling....

Any further news about your Walsingham- fishing!-

Sharp has just refused a license applied for by a man named Lehrmacher- and he begged of me to desist doing so! I recommended the man for a license!.. There is no tyrant about me.- God willeth not the death of a sinner but rather that he should return from his wickedness and live!-

Canada owes every man a living, this man was fined twice- not much I said in my report for 18 years.- He is one of Tilles men, and Sharp does not like Tiller, and shallow minded as he is will never hesitate to appreciate the Elgin fishermens best friend as a Fish Buyer.-

I saw Capt: Foster- here last week, he sold his 2 Pounds- to Blanee, west of Rond Eau, Harbour; for $430.---

He is running his Steamer on Buckingham Bay.- It may pay expenses....

There are 80 pleasure Steamers in Toronto, I was in Toronto- twice last week- and on the Island three myself.. I have no more fishing news to send you.-

The last time I wrote you my letter was long- I did not copy it.-

We are all well here except my youngest son! who turned Painter last spring- and got on very well until last Tuesday, when a Scaffold fell 28 ft to the ground with him and another young man!- Cut his right leg badly, shook him and bruised him very much, he

J'ai cette nuit rêvé que je me trouvais quelque
part ! Mais quoi ? Je ne me souviens plus
de rien ... Il est si malheureux, mes pauvres
souvenirs ... –

Elle vient de se mettre dans une
merveille : j'irais avec vous ! – Vous pour
aller pour quoi ? – Vous laisser, regretter
avec tant de chose par ces pauvres ...
Mais tout cela, pour ces pauvres ...
Mais quelle folie, vous pour faire
quoi ? – Pauvre ! –

Mais : les gens refusent à Jeanne
applaudir par lui à mon nouveau tableau
merveilleux – mais je voyais si mal de
plus loin ce ! J'commencerai par
mon fer à lisse ! ... Elle a un tableau
plaît mal. – Pour milliard mal elle chante
à mince but réelle tiré de chanter
notre pour les ministères mal lui ! –

Comme nous avons mon a lisse
elle mon mon grand Monsieur – mal mal
J'avais mi mal rapport pr 18 grands. –
Il a eu ce chiffre mon. mal Monsieur

eus mal les Filles, mon chaleur
monter ce le ci mais mon. Dans le
rapports ils Pays Pulsions Dat
pour ce – Vit Super. –

J'ai mon Sept. Vitr. – Vus Dat mal
le ceter lis à Mouch. – Il Mon mal
Mal Mon Mulon. Pr 1400. – –
Elle ci Jouing lis Mamer ce Dimanche
mal – Il mal pas mal supposer ...
Elle ce Il pleuvoir Mamer ce Mach.
J'avais ci Marche. Mais Dat mach –
mal ce Il Mulon Vus regaff. – J'ai
ce mon Pulsing mon le mal pas. –
Elle Dat Vus J'avais pas mal Lett
mon Jug. J'ai mal rapport ci. –

Il ce ces mon Vus pour mal pauvre
mal ces ! Mais Mamer Vit Dat Pauvre
mal pas mal mal Vit Dat Mulon
Mon – Pauvre Pals 18 Pr le Vit
pauvre mich Vus mal mother pauvre
mon ! – Dat Vus rapport Pr Jeanne, chante
Vus mal Jouer Vus mal mach, le

Hamilton! Ont.—

My Friend Robert,— 16. August 1886.—

You owe the Fisheries department, Ottawa,— $5,— balance on your license for year ending 31st December 1885, and I am called upon for this amount.—

Will you be pleased to send me, this $5, at your earliest convenience.—

Weather permitting, you will depart begin fishing about 20th September next, all hands gone— then! will have to be paid in advance.—

With kind and warm regards! to you and all!—

Believe me, Yours truly.—

John Wilkes—

Fishery Inspector.

Mr Robert Joyce.—

Shediac, Ont.

was incurable for some time,— he is improving, and will be well enough to take his home here on Tomorrow!— (Monday.) he would be better home on the farm.—

The weather has been especially hot and uncomfortable and the want of rain has damped our hops very much.—

Kindly remember me to the boys!— and Mr Rathbone.—

And with sincere regards— believe me as ever.—

John Wilkes

W. H. Emery Esqre— F.O.—

Merchant

Port Burwell, Ont.

P.S. as you have seen Mills, I send you 2, Circulars— Keep the dam dust out of your streams.—

Have Notices posted in Mills— how many more will you require.— J. Wilkes

F.O.

Hamilton, Ont.
16. August 1886.–

My dear Ramsay!–

Hurry up, and let me have the balance of your licence for this current year.–

Every thing for next year; altogether depends upon your being punctual in your payments this year.–

There will be no credit at all given next year! you may expect to be called upon to pay before you wet a Net.––– Legal Co. Net fisherman, had to do it this year.– Such are my Orders.–

Kindly remember me to Mrs R––.. And with warm regards,–

Yours truly.–

J. W. Ramsay Esq. Co. Sub. Inspr.
Lake Ontario, P.O.–
Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.–
20. August 1886.–

My dear Sir –

I think perhaps! we had better take a run up your Division on the River Credit, as far as Streetsville extend say! to Norval and return – if necessary. –––

I propose to be with you, and start on next Tuesday morning at 7 a.m.–

What say you! be ready so I will not disappoint you!–

Yours fraternally.–
J. W. Kerr.–

Addy: Oakley Esq. Co. Sub. Inspr.
Port Credit,
Ont.

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[illegible] 15. August 1886.

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Hamilton:- Ont.-
19. August 1886.-

Sir.-

I have the honor to send you Bank draft No: 367. for the sum of Fifteen dollars... Will you be pleased to apply this amount for this current year: as follows:- Viz.t.

1. J. M. Babcock Burlington:- "For a Boat "license to fish 1,000. yards of Herring Gill nets, "3" inch mesh; extension measure in Lake Ontario, between the Old Outlet, and the wharf "at Burlington:" "The same being situated in "the townships of East Flamboro, and Nelson; "and to extend into the Lake from the Beach "fronting on the same for a distance of 3.- "miles!" the amount sent herewith is,- $15.00 c.-

Respectfully Submitted:-

I have the Honor to be,
Sir.-
Your Obedient Servant.-
John W. Kerr.-
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa: Ont.-

P.S.- Also! F. Arnold Port Stanley:- "For same license; same as last year, amount to:- $5.00 c.-
Making in all, a Total:... of $20.00 c.-

J.W. Kerr.-
F.O.-

I recommend licenses to be granted for both these applicants... Yours respectfully:-
John W. Kerr.-
F.O.-

+ 5.- Total $20.

Hamilton: Sept.
19. August 1886.

Sir,

I have the honor to send you herewith the: for the sum of Fifteen dollars.. Will you be pleased to apply the amount for this current year: as follows: — Viz:

1. J. M. Patterson Dunlington: — "For a boat "license to fish 100 yards of shoving fish net. "3 "net mesh; between measure in depth 60 "fathoms, between the fish bulkhead, and the nearest "at Dunlington." The same being authorized in "the township of East Flamboro, and whereas "must be returned into the depth from the beach "pursuing on the same for a distance of 3 "miles." The amount that herewith is — $15.00

Respectfully submitted: —

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant. —

Superintendent of Fisheries. — Inspector.

Office: Sept. —

Oh — Alas! Wonder Not Alonely — The above is — same; same as last year, amount is — $15.00 — Attending in all, a total ... of $30.00 —

Yours —

G. —

Requirement leaves to be granted for half these applicants... Yours respectfully: —

Inspector. —

G. —

Hamilton, Ont. —
21st August 1886. . . .

Sir. —

I have the honor to send you Bank draft No: 371. for the sum of Ten dollars. — —

Will you be pleased to apply this amount for this current year as follows: —

1. William Ward. — Toronto Island! — "For a Boat licence to fish 5,000, yards of Salmon Trout and Herring Gill nets, — in the public waters of Lake Ontario! between the west end of Gibraltar point, Toronto Island — and Port Union township line between Pickering and Scarborough! and to extend from the beach within the given points, outwards in the Lake for a distance of 5. — miles." — The amount sent is, — — — $10.00 —

I recommend that you will be pleased to grant this licence! — I only received the money this day. — —

Respectfully submitted. —

I have the Honor to be,
Sir. —
Your Obedient Servant. —
J. Hall Kerr —
Fishery Overseer,

The Deputy Minister
Department of Fisheries. —
Ottawa, Ont.

Memorandum! — Has the fisheries department furnished you recently, with Circular dated Ottawa, 2nd July 1886 — respecting seine dues and still published! please let me know! —

Jas H. Kerr — F.O.
22. August 1886. —

Wm Hallman Esq
F.O. — Highland Creek, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont. —

Dear —

21st August 1886. —

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th inst. — Please you to please to supply the amount for this amount you as follows: —

1. Wilkinson Island. Growth cleared: — Cost & Cost licence to fell 500 pieces of timber that are missing file note. — in the public matters of Ontario! between the most east of Hamilton part Growth cleared — our Cost Wilson township — between Gathering our Growth! our to expect that from the local within the given permits authorised in the Cost for a distance of 6! — miles." — The amount cost is. — $10.00 — I recommend that you will be please to grant this licence! — I may remain the money this day. — —

Respectfully submitted. —

I have the honor to be,

Sir. —

Your obedient servant. —

The Deputy Minister — Chief Ranger.

Department of Crown Lands! — Hamilton.

Hamilton, Ont.

Gentlemen! — Also the Quebec department furnished you recently, with duplicate order. Hamilton, 23rd July 1886 — requesting the cost our white trillium! please let me know: —

Yours &c. Chief Ranger. &c.

Wilkinson Island

H.O. — Hamilton Ont. Ont.

23. August 1886. —

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Highland Creek. - -

My dear Sir! - August 19th 1886....

I did not see Ward, - his wife paid me, and she said he did not have any thing to do with the net singce as he claims no right on the Lake side of the Beach....

I went twice up to north Toronto, before I could see Johnson, who was quite indignant that a licence should have been issued without being done throug him..

He said he had got Smale and Beaty to write last night to the Department and would see The Hon Mr John Carling of London a great chum and fellow apprentice of his in former times who would settle matters, and see if any one should interfere with him implying he would be the biggest toad in the puddle or nothing....

Threatening vengeance on the ministry and would sell himself to the Grits who would give him a good salary and not a paltry $100... He says Mary, - the member for Toronto, says it is ridiculous that any person should be required to do any thing for so absurdly small sum of $100. a year. - He will not give up the net unless he is ordered to do so, from Ottawa, as it is an unlawful net only 1 3/4" inch mesh, and therefore could not be used any where.

He would go down to Ottawa next week.

J. W. Kerr Esq Mr
Fishery Overseer,
Hamilton, Ont. } 1.

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Highthorne Beach. -

My dear Sir! — August 19th 1886. —

I did not see Mary. The reason
just was, that she seemed to do not have
any thing to do with the not keeping on to
blessing me right on the death bed of the
beard. — —

I went down up to north Berwick before
a female see of Watson, who was quite satisfied =
meant that a house should have been rented
without being done thing him. —

She said he had got should and Charly to
write last night to the Department and another
see the also 4th date looking of clerkship a great
thing and follow appointed of his in Jermer
time who would settle matter, and see if
any one should interfere with him supplying it
would be the biggest test in the probable or
nothing. — —

Mentioning nonsense on the allowing and
would see himself to the Girls who would
give him a good school and not a pretty
£100. — He says what? the number for Charly
long it is indicative that any person should be
required to do any thing for so extremely small
sum of £100 a year. — He will not give up the
not unless he is ordered to do so. Jem thinks
as it is an unlawful act only it's said must
and therefore would not be used any other.
She would go down to Ottawa next week
if Mr. Mary [illegible]
Highthorne Berwick
Alexander Gunter

(if his wife got better who is ill at present,) and have matters put on another basis or he would resign. - - -

Of course I am telling you all this in confidence. - - -

I remain, Yours truly. - -
Sd / Wm Halliwell. -
C. O. -

Copy! -

Hamilton. Ont. -
13. August 1886. - -

Mr Adam Halliwell! -

I found upon enquiries I made on Toronto Island - on yesterday - that the small seine net found spread out on Lake Ontario shore - fronting on the fishing ground by Messrs Ward and Wm Johnson, and seized by them, "as reported in the Mail," is the property of George Leslie Jr St. Catharines Esq and others - licensed as you are aware to fish there.

On receipt of this, I would advise you go and see Mr William Ward, & get back the seine net from them and restore it to the owners. -

Don't allow Constable Wm Laing to meddle in your affairs. - - Please report to me as soon as you perform this duty. -

I consider Messrs Ward and Johnson exceeded their duty. - -

Yours Sincerely.
John Wilson -
Fishery Overseer.

Wm Halliwell Esq
Fishery Overseer.
Highland Creek,
Ont.

(If this wife get better who is ill at present)
and have matters put on another basis so to
speak begin. - - -
If course I am telling you all this in con=
fidence. - - -

I remain, Yours truly. --
W. Williamson. -
W. O. -

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Dear :-

Hamilton. Ont. -
Wm Alan Williamson :- 13. August 1886. --
I have upon enquiring I made on
Thursday evening - ascertained that the house now not
house opened out on Cliffe Street thus - putting on
the finishing touches for Miss Williamson and
and designed for them. as reported in the news." as
the property of George Cline & Mr. Williamson &
and others - however as you are aware I paid them.
In receipt of this, I would advise you to out
see Mr Williamson there. If. you think the house not
you then must return it to the owners. -
Must close hoping Miss Williamson. to receive in
your efforts. - Please report to me as soon
as you perform this duty. -
I remain Miss Williamson and Johnson ex=
cuse this duty. -

Yours sincerely.
J. Hamilton. -
Finding Owner.

Miss Williamson Care
Finding Owner.
Mr Thomas Street,
Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.—

Sir,— 21st August 1886.—

I have to report that about four weeks ago, as it then appeared in public papers, Toronto, Mr. William Johnson, Fishery Overseer for the Bay, and Harbour there, proceeded to the strip of land situated between Ashbridge's Bay, and Lake Ontario; on the Lake shore; in front of the Eastern part of Leslieville, where he found spread out drying on the beach a small common Herring seine, the property of George Leslie Jr. St. Callander, and Co., of Leslieville, licensed by you to fish there.— Which was paid for, and license delivered by Fishery Overseer Wm. Helliwell to the licensees, by your order.—

This small seine, Johnson seized, "then an article in Toronto papers, announced at the time what he had done and was going to do!" but no official report to me on the subject, nor perhaps to you.—

Having observed the article in the Mail, I communicated at the time with Overseer Wm. Helliwell, in whose division jointly with me, the place where the seine was illegally seized by Johnson, is situated; and we arrived at the conclusion that Johnson, had seized this seine net, the property of the Licensees, above referred to, outside of his authorized limits.—

I hope you will be pleased to stop all such proceedings on Mr. Johnson's part in future.— In his present position, he is no use for the protection of fish, nor preservation of

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa, Ont.

A.

Hamilton, Oct. –

Sir, – 21st August 1866. –

I have to report that about four weeks ago, as it has appeared in public papers, Chevalier William Johnson, Stipendiary Governor for the Island, went Northern this; proceeded to the extreme of land situated between Wellington Bay and Cape Saint; on the Cape where; in front of the Eastern part of Wellington, where he found upwards and alighting on the beach a small canoe belonging thus, the property of George Cobble of Wellington, and boy of Wellington, licensed by you to fish there. – Which was found by, and licensed accordingse by Stipendiary Governor Wellington to the licensee, by your order. – –

The small canoe, Johnson carried; then we stole in Chevalier papers; announced at the time what he had done and was going to do. But no official report to me on the subject, nor perhaps to you. – –

Having observed the article in the Mail, I communicated at the time with Governor Wellington, in whose division jointly with me, the place where the canoe was illegally carried by Johnson, is situated; and we arrived at the conclusion that Johnson, had carried the canoe out of the property of the licensee, above referred to; outside of his authorizing limits. – –

I hope you will be pleased to stop all such proceedings on Johnson's part in future. – In the present position, he is no use for the protection of fish, nor preservation of

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa. – Ont.

No.

the fisheries in Toronto Harbour. - - -

Although instructed by the Fisheries department, to act under my advice and report to me! - Since May 1884. until this case turned up, I heard nothing that he had ever done, except to crave more salary - for doing nothing. - - -

Subsequently, I wrote to Overseer Wm. Hallowell, on 18th instant, having previously discussed the case between us! to which I received reply herewith, dated 19th instant, copies of which are now sent for your information. - - -

I would have done any thing in my power, to instruct Overseer Johnson, in his duties when first appointed! but I cannot tolerate a worthless fishery officer to use such language as his Hallowell's report contains, without laying the same before you. - And I recommend that you will be pleased to order, that the Seine be at once restored; it being legally in use under the annual licence.

Respectfully Submitted. -

I have the Honor to be,
Sir. -
Your Obedient Servant. -
John W. Kerr -
Fishery Overseer.

Dr. printer filling
Licence! . . . . . } -

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August Schumacher 15th
Fisherman. -
Newmarket. -
Ont. -

Mailed on the
25th August 1886.
J.W.Kerr Dr.

The Justices in Lunacy to Wm. Orme.

Holding a mandamus of the Chancery department, to wait under my advice and report to me.

Since about 1884, with the case issued up, I have nothing that is but our close, except to come more salary for doing nothing.

Independently, I write to Barrister Wilkinson, 18th instant, having previously discussed the case between us. To which I received reply herewith, dated 19th instant, copies of which are necessary for your information.

I would have close and thing in my power, instead Barrister Johnson, in his letter which point opposition. But I cannot tolerate a unreasonable judicial office to use such language as Wilkinson's report contains, without having the same lapse upon. Now I trust, assume that you will be pleased to order, that the case be at once heard, it being legally in our under the assumed issue.

Respectfully submitted.

I have the honor to be, &c.

Your obedient servant,
Wm. Orme
Stipendiary Barrister

Wm. Orme Esqr.
Stipendiary Barrister
Sydney Barrister

Copy
Wilkinson to Orme
28th August 1888.
Sydney &c.

Hamilton, Ont.—
28. August 1886.—

My dear Sir!—

Yours of 19th instant received!— I have sent a copy of same to Mr. Ross.— Mr. William Johnson,— is altogether mistaken in his position, he is simply a F.O.— for the Harbour and Bay of Toronto; he has no authority in Muskoka Bay... The last time he was in Ottawa; he was introduced by Mr. Small, M.P.— he will hardly go back there again! he was forced in to a place of $100. that should by right be yours... I dont want him, neither do you! since May 1884, I have never Known him to do anything until he made this illegal seizure of Mr. George Leslie Jr.'s Small seine! simply for to annoy you! the small Herring seine 1½" inch mesh; 8" inch mesh extension measure, is legal! what does the

ignoramus talk about...

You see he has now changed his battery evidently to get you blame.—

Legally speaking, there is no regulation for a Herring seine... 1½" inch mesh was always considered sufficient....

I give I sent of $35. to the Fisheries department, on 31st March last, charge No; 457. in which was included Wm. Cowans, of $5.00 f.— see my letter to you of 8th April last.— I also find that I mailed to William Cowan Esq. J.P. &c. &c. Highland Creek, Ont. on the 14th April 1884— Rent licence to fish 800 yards of N.g. nets, and a seine 100 yards long!— It will not harm me but you in any way for to hand me of 10.— to apply on a Rent licence for Mr. Wm. Cowan, of Toronto Island,— I sent same away for draft No; 371.— with my kind and warm regards! believe me!—

Yours Truly.

J. Phillips.

Fishery Overseer.

Highland Creek, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.—

23. August 1886.—

Mein lieber Sohn!—

Deine am 19ten August geschriebene Karte hat mich sehr erfreut, da Du darin Deine Ankunft in Hamburg ankündigst. Du wirst Dich erinnern, daß ich Dich bei Deiner Abreise bat, Du möchtest Dich, wenn Du in Hamburg wärest, Deine Ankunft in Hamburg, Deine Adresse und Deinen Aufenthalt in Hamburg, Deinen Eltern mitteilen. Da Du Dich nun aber nicht mehr in Hamburg, sondern in Bremen aufhältst, so bitte ich Dich, Deine Adresse und Deinen Aufenthalt in Bremen Deinen Eltern mitzuteilen. Ich hoffe, daß Du Dich wohl befindest und Dich in Bremen gut amüsierst. Wie geht es Deinem Vater? Ich bin ihm noch immer Geld schuldig für die Reise nach Hamburg und für die Reise von Hamburg nach Bremen. Ich werde mich daher an Deinen Vater wenden müssen, um das Geld zu erhalten. Ich bin Dein treuer Vater

Wilhelm Hamilton

Wilhelm Hamilton, Jun.

Hamilton, Ont.

Dear son, I am very glad to see by your letter of the 19th August that you have arrived safely in Hamburg. I hope you will be able to get your letters, if any, and a room for a few days. I'm not really sure whether I can send you enough money to pay your passage home. I shall try and do so, however, if I can borrow it. I shall write to your father and ask him to send you some money. I hope you are enjoying yourself in Bremen. I owe your father for your passage from Hamburg to Bremen. I shall have to write to him for the money to pay him back. Write me a long letter and let me know how you are getting along. Your loving father

Wilhelm Hamilton

Wilhelm Hamilton, Jun.

Hamilton, Ont. -
23rd August 1886.

My dear Sir -

Yours of the 19th inst. is just received! I will be willing, be with you by the first Train from here on next Thursday morning.

Believe me, My dear Sir. - -

Yours very truly. -
H. Wilkes -

John Murphy Esq. 2d
Vice. Vice. Vice. - -
Jarvis, - Ont. -

Fishery Overseer.
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Hamilton: Ont.! -
My dear Selomacker! - 28. August 1886.

I send your license for to fish in Lake Erie, between the mouth of Grand River, and Port Alma. - - -

Overseer D. Sharp, objects to you fishing in his division and that all his fishermen were opposed to you fishing there! what have you done? -

I laid the matter before the Fisheries department, Ottawa. - - -

I recommended that you be granted a license for to fish in Lake Erie; between the Grand River - and Port Alma! you can land your fish at Dunville. Low Banks, or Port Colborne! or tow them in to Buffalo. -

I will have you all to myself. -

You and I. can get along. -

Believe me as usual. -

Yours sincerely.
H. Wilkes -
Fishery Overseer

August Selomacker Esq.
Normandale, Ont. -

Hamilton, Sat. –

24th August 1886.

My dear Sir –

Yours of the 19th inst. is just received: I write first nothing, to wish you my first thoughts, you have so many thousand musings.

Believe me, My dear Sir. – –

Yours very truly –

[illegible]

[illegible] – Sidney Lanier.

Hamilton, Sat. –

My dear Sir: – 23. August 1886.

I must pay heed to it

yet in data lie between the monthly

yours lines, and Sat. Aline. – – –

Lanier &c. Hope, expect to pass

finding in his division, and that all

his pictures were apparent to you

finding this! What have you done? –

I fear the matter depends the Aline

department, Etiam. – – –

I remember that you to quote

a lesson by it yet in data lie:

between the yours lines. – Sat.

Aline! you see have yours yet

at Hamilton. Sat. Aline. – Sat. Sat.

home! or has then in it happy. –

I write then you all it myself. –

Yours and I. Sir yet adieu. –

Believe me so sincerely. –

August 26. Hamilton. – Sidney Lanier

Hamilton, Sat. –

Hamilton, Ont.
25. August 1886....

Sir!-

I have the honor to submit for your information and consideration an application I received this day from Mr Charles Duffey - of Collingwood, a fisherman: applying - "For a license to fish 3, "Pound Nets, in Hoskawney Bay - on the south side "of St Joseph's Island, not far from Datoma Mi-"chigan"... The privilege asked for is in Overseer, Joseph Wilson's Division...

Permit me to tell you, that I have known Mr Charles Duffey - for - upwards of 14. years. - And on every occasion when it became necessary for the Fisheries Department, to send me to the Georgian Bay - for the protection of fish, and the fisheries of that locality. - I have always found Mr Charles Duffey, ready and most willing to assist me in the discharge of my duties, so essential at all times for the benefit of the department, at Ottawa...

I understood about 2 years ago! he bought a Steamer, to run on the route from Collingwood to Parry Sound, and return! and that the investment was not proving to be a success... I recommend this case for kind consideration - I always found Mr Charles Duffey, best worthy and ever ready to impart information of much benefit to the department. -

His letter will tell you why it is - he has applied through me. -

I have the Honor to be,
Sir, -
Your Obedient Servant. -
J. Phil. Vankoughnet -
Chief Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa. Ont.

O.K. Mr Kew
I always felt, that Duffey, was a strong Reformer, and under
the present Government, will be the last man

Hamilton, Sept.

Dear Sir:

27 August 1788.

I have the honor to acknowledge your recommendation and consideration on application I received this day from Mr. Charles Stuart - Yr. Correspondence & Patronage: applying - He is desirous to find a Master office, in Northumberland County - on the South side of the Juniata River, not far from Sunbury & Selinsgrove. The principal office he is in Search of, Judge William's Mission. -

Permit me to tell you, that I have known Mr. Charles Stuart - for upwards of 14 years. - But on every occasion when it became necessary for the Christian Department, to recommend Persons for - for the protection of Civil, and the Patronage of that Society - I have always found Mr. Charles Stuart, Totally unworthy - being to assist me in the discharge of my duties, to assist at all times for the benefit of the Department, & Patrons. - -

I understand about 2 years ago! he bought a Farmer, & run on the route from Selinsgrove to Berry Township, and return! since that the unfortunate was not proving to be a Success. - I recommend this man for Assistance - I always found Mr. Charles Stuart - but worthy, and Faithful to impart information of usual Benefit to the Department. -

This letter will be the Person only I ever applied thought me. -

I have the Honor to be,

Yr. -

The Deputy Minister,

Department of Indian Affairs, Upper Canada Department. -

Hamilton. Sept.

Charles Stuart -

Selinsgrove

Hamilton: Ont.—
26. August 1886.—

Sir,

I have the honor to report, that this day Forty years ago; I landed in Canada, at Port Stanley;— from the Steamer New London; running at that time, between Buffalo, and Amherstburgh,— Lake Erie!....

Thanks to you, my sincere friend... It is through your kindness and attention for my welfare and prosperity, that I am this day, Fishery Overseer, at Port Stanley, for the County of Elgin; situated and fronting on Lake Erie.—

Peace and contentment reigns amongst the fishermen of the Elgin Division....

My Gratitude to you! I am never forgot! you have done it all.—

I am, Sir,—
Yours respectfully.—

S. O. Amyot Esqre
Fisheries Department,
Ottawa, Ont.

John W. Kerr.—
Fishery Overseer,
Elgin Division.

Hamilton: Oct.—

26. August 1886.—

Sir,

I have the honor to report that the slave Peria says: I belonged in Kamerun, at Bata Ahombey. From the Kamerun we came; running at that time, between Buffalo and Lumbarkburgh.— Bata Ahombey!....

Thanks to you, my dear Friend.— He is thought your business and attention for my welfare and prosperity that I am this day finding Bonner at Bata Ahombey, for the country of Lagos; intending and posting on Bata Ahombey.— Bonner and enlightment Lagos assuming the gratitude of the Lagos Missions....

My Gratitude to you! I am never forget! you have done it all....

I am, Sir,—

Yours respectfully.—

J. D. Kennedy Esq.
Finding Department.
Hatteras. Oct. 26 —

Bathurst Bonner
Finding Bonner
Lagos Missions

Hamilton, Ont.—
26. August 1886.

My Dear Sir!

I saw Mr Wallington-Grant. he tells me he has written Mr Milligan of Brampton - for an account of your office - so that the balance of the money - after the organs were paid, in Bank may be disposed of. . . .

Mr Wallington expects an early answer from Mr Milligan. -

With Kind regards to you; believe me, Yours truly,

John Wilkes

Miss Mr Charlotte.
care Frank Reid,
Blackstone P.O.
Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.
26. August 1886.-

My dear Mr Ort.

Will you be pleased to send me a nice Green Rice Salmon! say from 6 to 10 pounds; and I will pay next time I come down. - Please address it,

Eugene Armstrong Esqre
Station Master. G.T.Ry.
Hamilton, Ont.-

and send it to my Foreman.-
Station Master. G.T.Ry. Union Station. Toronto, to be forwarded. -

With my warm regards. - -

Yours Sincerely. -
John Wilkes.
P. Engineer.

D. W. Ort Esqre
Toronto,
Ont.

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[illegible] 26. August 1886.

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Private!

Hamilton, Ont.
27. August 1886.

My dear Sir,—

Yours of 26th instant just received! I reported everything in the case of Johnson vs. Leslie et al, and here is the answer I have just received from Mr Rousset, on the subject, and I advise you for your own good to get Mr Leslie Jr. & Callander & Coy.— to take the advice given — see Murphy.— and carry it out to the letter! — Now don't fail, it will be a feather in your cap!. — Yours: Copy.— Memo: Johnson was told on the 11th instant that unless the seine which he took up at Ashbridges Bay was being used in contravention of the Fisheries Act or the Regulations under it, he had no authority to seize it.

He didn't say anything about who it belonged to, &c. &c.—

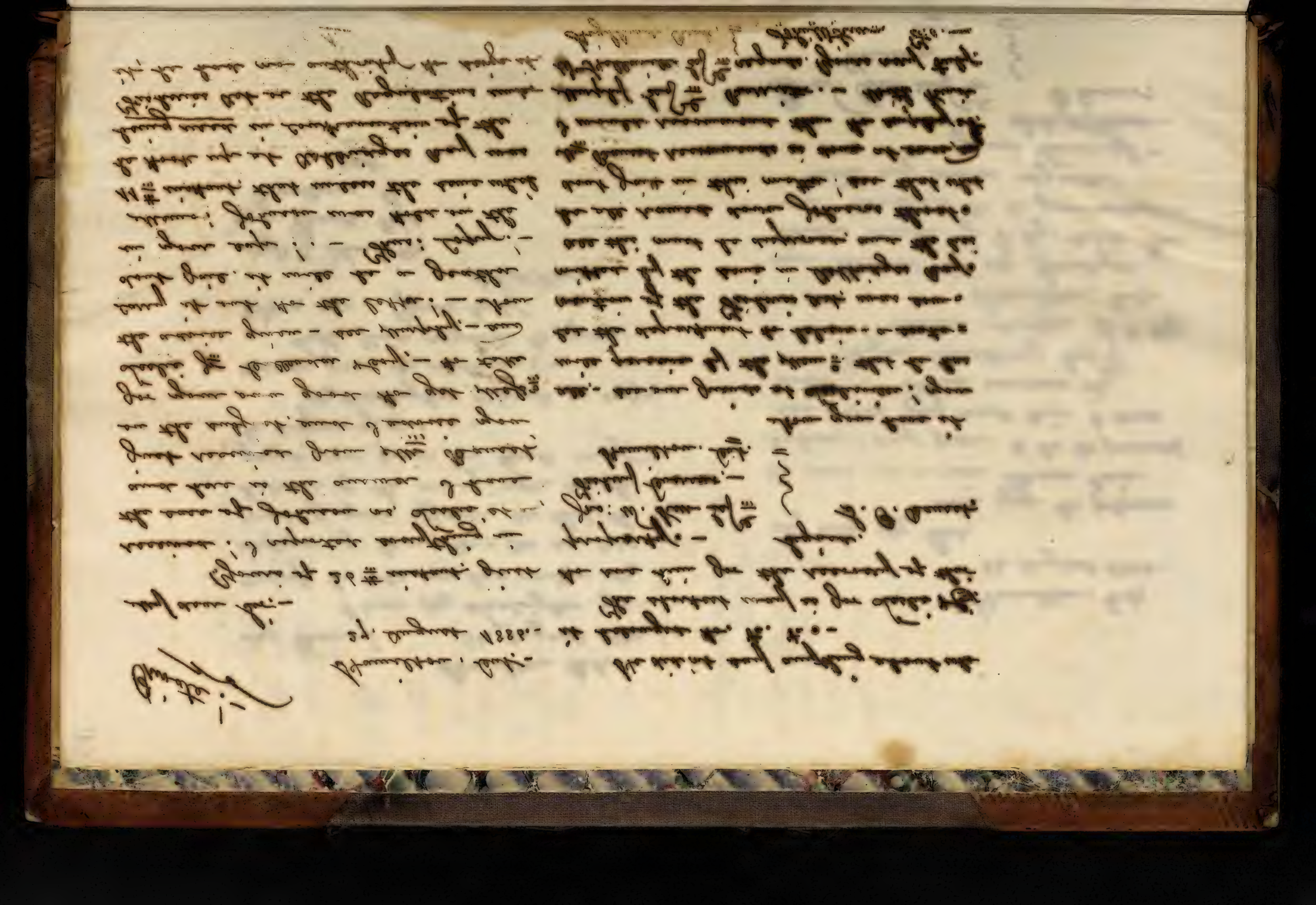
The shortest way is for Leslie & Co. to sue him for the recovery of the property.— Yours,

Jas: W. Kerr Esq.
Fishery Overseer.—
Hamilton, Ont.

S. O. Rousset,

Now you have it all,— see your friends at Dunnville! you will perceive by the plan & that he has the department to believe a contravention of the Fisheries Act was committed by the seine in Ashbridges Bay, all this must be disproved, and the boy he all named down Johnson must don't fail in this matter! see that what Mr Rousset recommends is done at once, I would recommend then he employ Murphy Esq Barrister.— with Kerr & Fishery Esq regards. Yours very truly,

Highland Creek, John Wilkinson C.C.—



Hamilton, Ont.

Sir.

27th August 1886....

With reference to your Circular, on Saw dust and Mill Rubbish, - dated Department of Fisheries, - Ottawa, 2nd July 1886. - -

I have to report, that on 24th August instant, I visited the saw mills - and the deserted mill sites of saw mills in operation on the River Credit, a few years ago; but now amongst the things of the past....

Commencing at Streetsville, - I find that the saw mill, I found in operation there a few years ago, owned by Mr Robert Noble, of that place has been taken down and removed away altogether....

Mr Noble, has a Woollen factory, on the River Credit, at Streetsville; but the law is strictly adhered to! I gave his son a copy of your circular....

I also visited the saw Mill of J. P. Hutton Esqre of Huttonville, on River Credit, - he was repairing his saw mill.... He sawed only about 60,000, feet of lumber this year! all Customers work....

He has improved machinery for taking saw dust out of mills! he does not permit a particle of it to enter the waters of the River Credit, over which the saw mill is built. - - James Cram, his son owns a Woollen Factory, - it is shut down at present, but he is particular in keeping the stuff, out of the waters of the River Credit....

I gave them a copy of your Circular....

I visited Churchville, - where I found a saw mill a few years ago here on the River Credit, the property of Kenneth Chisholm, of Brampton; Mr. C. C. - - -

Mr Chisholm, has removed his saw mill off

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries, -
Ottawa, Ont.

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Sir,

27th August 1886.

With reference to your Memorial, on the subject of public building, Victoria Department of Railways.

Melbourne, 27th July 1886.

I have to report that on 24th August instant I visited the new works, and the separate main sides of the main in operation on the Line Bendigo, a few years ago; but now numerous the things of the past.

Commencing at Heyne, I find that the new main 3 yards in operation then a few years ago, now 4½ feet, that little, if that place the line Bendigo and Inverness only altogether.

The station has a Waiting Gallery on the Line Bendigo at Heyne; but the line is entirely useless to! I gave his an copy of your minutes.

I also visited the new station of J. Bendigo, of Huntly on Line Bendigo. The new repeating line main.. The Inverness only about 6,000 feet of Lumber this year! The Huntly work.

The improved machinery for taking down short of main! The does not permit a portion of it to enter the station of the Line Bendigo are which the main is built.. Same Gear. The new a Waiting Gallery: it is what down at present; but is particular in keeping up stoppe, out of station of the Line Bendigo.

I gave them a copy of your minutes.

I visited Inverness, where I found a new main a few years ago has on the Line Bendigo the property of Inverness Railway of Inverness: etc. &c.

The Railway has removed his new main off the Equally allowance.

Department of Railways.

Melbourne, 27th

J.

the River Credit... His Flour Mill there is still in operation! but he has only two Millers employed at present! as compared with four millers he had, when I made my last visit... His Flour mill business is going down.... I gave Head Miller one of your Circulars....

The saw mill at Meadowville, on the River Credit, has been removed....

Mr. A. H. Wheeler, of this place has purchased the old Grist Mill, and put it all in thorough repair... On approaching the village, I observed saw dust and mill rubbish, floating in the Mill Race, and following it up; I found the stuff had been thrown out of the Mill than under repair. I stopped it immediately... Ordered every thing in the shape of saw dust, shavings and pieces of timbers cut off; when repairing the Mill to be carried out and burned instead of being thrown and put in the waters of River Credit... This I have reason to believe has since been carried out....

I gave Mr. A. H. Wheeler, the owner and proprietor of this remodelled Flour Mill, a copy of your circular, explained to him the law in the premises... I am quite satisfied he will never offend again... Just commencing life as a Miller, I told him he deserved to be fined; even altho' the saw dust was not thrown from a saw mill, into the waters of the River Credit....

East of Meadowville, about one mile, - a Mr. Gray, has a saw and shingle mill over the River Credit, he was away from home when I was there, but I left one your "Circulars," for him....

I will visit this place again as every thing did not appear in as good order about this mill, as it should be....

the Union Branch. — This Plan which she is said to
approve; but he has only the authority employed at
present; so everyone must give written to have when
I return my last report. — This plan made business a
pending state. — I gave them authority on my own
responsibility. —

The Row made at Abercorrie, on the Union Branch
has been removed. —

Mr. Mr. Allen, of this place has pur-
chased the old Finch — he, now, put it up in the
usual form. — In appropriating the money, it
cannot be that our mile building; planting in the
white Oaks, and fencing it up; I prove the self
that have taken out of the white Oak number repor.
I support it immediately. — Believe every thing in
the shape of how that changing our process of tim-
ber cut off; when repairing the white to be cut
out our lumber instead of being taken out put
in the matter of Union Branch. — This I have
reason to believe the Union Row cannot out. —
I gave Mr. Mr. Allen, the owner our proposi-
tion of the remarkable Plan which, I supposed
reasonable, explained to him the law in the premises. —
I am quite satisfied he will never appeal again. —
Just commencing life as a builder, I take him to season
as he is young; now with the law about our out
throw from a Row mile, with the matter of the
Union Branch. —

That of Abercorrie, about one mile, a Stony
has a Row our single mile over the Union Branch to
use usual from where I use the, but I left me
your "Remarks" for him. —
I will visit the place again as usual thing in not
appear in as good order about Christmas, as it should
be. —

At Strathmiles! The Barley Woollen Factory is shut down... There is no saw mill in operation at Strathmiles any more....

At Springfield, the saw mill has been removed altogether and the Woollen Factory was burnt down last spring. What a wonderful change in saw mills, and woollen factories has been made within a few years on the Birkhill, between Newark and Cot Burdie....

I must here report that many persons are now sadly disappointed in not having the Balmen in the Ring Burdie, promised in abundance by Mr Samuel Wilmot, as properly in his reports.—

With profound respect.—

I have the Honor to be,

Sir,—

Your Obedient Servant.—

J. Little

Fishery Officer.—

3.

Montreal, Oct. 30. August 1886.—

Sir,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st instant, and in reply to state that I have not yet received the Report of Mr Samuel Wilmot, but I will forward it to you when I do receive it.

I am sorry that many persons are now sadly disappointed in not having the Balmen in the Ring Burdie, promised in abundance by Mr Samuel Wilmot, as properly in his reports.—

Mr Little's salary and Office rent of $20.— Office rent $10.— Stationery and Sundries $3.

Mr Little's salary and Office rent $20.— Office rent $10.— Stationery and Sundries $3.

Sir,—

Your obedient Servant,

Signed

Secretary.

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[illegible]

Private!-

Hamilton,- Ont.-
27. August 1886...

My dear Friend!-

I received your application for the small piece of property occupied by you in front of your House and premises at Fort Erie - as a shop, for building Boats, hanging Nets, and for other various things in connection with your license for fishing in the Niagara River there... And I strongly recommended that you might get the same in your annual license for fishing... Knowing you so well for the past 21 years: I am in a position favourably and kindly disposed to you always!,... In reply,- here follows the answer I received from the Fisheries department, Ottawa, dated 23. August 1886.... Copy!-

Sir,- In reply to your letter of the 14th instant; in which you recommend the leasing of a strip of land at Fort Erie, to Mr. C. A. Harris, for fishing purposes: I beg to state that, this Department has no authority to grant such a lease... The proper course would be for Mr. Harris to apply to the Department of Interior for a lease or purchase of the property in question....

Jno. W. Kerr Esq.
Fishery Overseer,
Hamilton, Ont.

I am, Sir,-
Your Obedient Servant,
S. O. Ranach,-
for Deputy Minister of Fisheries.

Now then, the matter is become more simple and favourable than I expected... The Hon. Thomas White, is the Minister of the Interior: and he has entire control over the strip of land you want as I now refer to... The course for you now is, to petition this Honorable Minister, go and see our worthy and esteemed friend.

Private:-

Hamilton, Ont.
27. August 1885.

My dear Prince:-

I received your application for the same piece of property you point out to you in front of your house on Queen at Fort Erie, as a site for building boats, keeping tools, and for other nautical things in connection with your license for fishing in the Niagara River there... But I strongly recommend that you might get the same in your annual license for fishing... Running you to make you the yearly 21 years: I am in a position personally and Ministerially disposed to oblige you... In reply, have perhaps the answer I received from the Fisheries department, Ottawa, dated 23. August 1885.... Yours:-

Sir:- In reply to your letter of the 14th instant: in which you request the leasing of a strip of land at Fort Erie, to be used, for fishing purposes: I beg to state that, this department has no authority to grant such a lease... The proper course would be for you, when to apply to the Department of Fisheries for a lease or license of the property in question....

Yours: W. Tom Jones Jun. Sir:-

Chief Inspector Fisheries Ontario District

Hamilton, Ont. 27th A. D. Bennet -

M. Superintendent of Fisheries.

Now then, the matter is become more easy, inasmuch as I personally the I superintend.. The 14th Queen Street, is the ministerial of the District; and I be entire entitled over the strip of land you want as I now refer to.. The course for you now is, to petition this Honorable Ministry, for such the non authority and authorise Prince.

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Hamilton, Ont.
30. August 1886.

My Friends!–
John and Charles Colton!–
Niagara! Ont.–

The Indian Department, Ottawa,– is surprised that I have not sent in your licence yet, for this current year, before this!..–

On receipt, please send me your last licence year! and let the licence stand until I come down.---

I did not see you last time I was at Niagara! you were I heard down the Lake! poor Elliot, died too!– except my Elliot, sitting when I saw in my Chair, there– and who told me my Enemy– Jimmy Nash, mean– had left, and he went down and see Mrs Elliot, and quietly– I have no more!–

With my warm regards to you, and yours. believe me! Yours very truly,–

John Wilson, J.P.

your Member, Jos Wallace; hand him the petition and as you are warm friends and supporters of as good and as true a man as ever trod this earth in Shoe leather! he will be sure to recommend you, and I am satisfied in my own mind at least, that through Doctor Ferguson,– you will succeed.;

Get up a plan of the premises and hand it to the Doctor with your petition.– – Then I wish you all success, apply for a large slice of the strip of land referred to.. –

Then again, if it was necessary– The Hon. J. B. Plumb of Niagara– will Kindly recommend you also...

If there is any thing else that I can say or do for you, command me I am always at your Service! and with warm and sincere regards; believe me,–

Yours very truly,–

John Wilson–

Fishery Overseer.–

To Mrs Harris,–
and C. A. Harris Esq.
Fort Erie, Ont.

Charles Duffy Esqre
Bellingwood,
Ont.—

Hamilton: Ont.—
28. August 1886...

My dear Sir,—

I duly received your application for — licence to fish three Nets,— and I submitted the same to the Deputy Minister, Ottawa....

And I strongly recommended you for the privilege you applied for!— and the following is the reply I received this day on the subject...

Copy—
Department of Fisheries.—
Canada! Ottawa!—

Sir!— 27th August 1886.—

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 25th instant, applying on behalf of Mr Charles Duffy, of Bellingwood, for permission to fish with three pound nets in Kostkawong Bay, South of St Joseph's Island....

If this be the same Bay as that known under the name of Tenby Bay,— south of Milford Haven, near the International Boundary Line, you will please inform Mr Duffy that owing to the strong representations made by settlers on the Island, and others, against the use of Pound nets in these waters,— the Department has already refused several applications, and that, his request cannot therefore be favorably entertained.— I am, Sir.—

J. W. Kerr. Esqre
for
Charles Duffy, Esqre

Your Obedient Servant,
S. Y. Cameron,—
for Deputy Minister of Fisheries.

Now my friend you have it all; the Clerk Bank... or the fishery, the question if Mr Kerr is correct or otherwise! and write me again.—

With warm regards, believe me;
Yours very truly.—
[illegible] — Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.,-
30. August 1866.-

My Friend Joseph! -

I write to you hoping to find you! & Fabrice and your father enjoying good health! as I am pleased to say I enjoy this choice blessing, at present!!.

How is fishing?- Have you commenced to move in the direction of your little fishing yet?.. What is young Wadsworth at; where is his father Johnson living now?- Is angling and trolling good this year in the River, and have the fish yet been buried away in land out of sight; I heard that Jim Scott, of Lewiston, put on a suit, sent to swim the whirlpool, and was drowned! which of the Scotts was he?- I also saw that a Skipper, of Queenston, was broke, employing children! what Skippers of my friends, met with this misfortune ....

I have received no letter from you from the Wadsworth! nor even an Application to fill! time will tell, and it tells wonders!!....

As soon as convenient send me your letter - for this year! I will try and get the Department, at Ottawa, - to wipe out last year's fee in consequence of the serious accident that befell your father by falling off your barn and cutting his head, and otherwise hurting him! now! I hope you understand me! - don't mention this to any person! - Kindly remember me to your wife and father, and convey to them my warm regards and respects. -

To you personally, I am as ever,

Yours very truly, -

Joseph Fabrice &c. John Wilson -

Queenston, Ont. Fishery Officer.

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Humbly but.

16. August 1826.

My Dear Jane! –

I write to you hastily; trying to put you into better mood, as I am sure you will enjoy your trouble, as I am sure I am just doing the whole thing, at present!!

How is Fanny? How you commence it was in the existence of your pet girl? Not is young Hammond? where is his better half. Giving me? –

I enclose one trifling part of this you in the line, and how it will get on. Lord knows myself, as I have not yet sight. I have that in chapter of adventure, yet – but not it seems the mischief and one appears! which of the chapter. – I also one that is Chapter of adventure, which finding Lord! Lord! what happens to my poor, and

until this morning. – –

I have received no letter yet the Hammond! one see or expectation it will! this make that, mind is tick upon!!. – –

It now so remained that we you been yet – for the you! I make ful not yet the Hammond, at Oxford. It seems not that yours yet in consequence of the reason – which that hopes you better ful yet – ing it you then not nothing to tear and others being to! now! I hope you understand me! – but matter this to my

Fanny! – Fanny remember me to you up and yet. – and remember to them my regards and respects. –

To you Fanny, I am so much

Your ever ful! –

Humbly but – Humbly but

Hamilton, Ont. —
30. August 1886. —

My Friend!

Peterboro', & Port Dalhousie! —
The Deputy Minister of Fisheries for the Dominion of Canada, is surprised to learn that you have not yet paid in your licence fee for this district for the current year. On receipt, will you be pleased to send me $5.00, - dont fail. ---

Any news? - please write me! — Tell our friend - the fish dealer - at St. Catharines - if he has any money for me, to send it on. — Kindly remember me, to your wife and daughter. --

Dear Henry, always be a man, walk upright and honest through this life, setting your business at defiance! for with all your faults! you are a good, honest, humane man in many respects. — Do write, Dear Your friend! John W. Kerr. F.C.

Hamilton, Ont. —
30. August 1886. —

My friend! —

Mssrs Robert John, and Riel & Allen; Niagara, Ont. —

Gentlemen, I am surprised to express at Ottawa, that I have not sent in your licence fees, for the current year, before this. --

Will you be pleased to let me have your Port licence fees on receipt, and let your line licence - "Mr Robert John", - remain until I come! -

Will you be pleased to give my warm regards to your mother and families, - and to you and each of you personally; believe me as ever,

Yours very truly, —
John W. Kerr. F.C.

P.S. Robert John, - please write and let me know what you have to the lot, here is my L. — Charlotte he was very pale last time I was in Niagara! if alive and well, Kindly congratulate him from me. J.W.K.

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Hamilton, Ont.
30. August 1886.

Sir,—

With reference to my report to you of the 30th of March last, respecting the construction of a Fishway, in the dam in the Nanticoke Creek, at the village of Nanticoke; in the Township of Walpole, and County of Haldimand.— We petitioned for, by Mr John Murphy, of the Township aforesaid, and others of the Town of Jarvis, &c. through whose Jarvis, the Creek flows, on its course from the town of Waterford, on in to Lake Erie, and as already reported to you more fully, on the 22nd of December 1884.—

I may here report that on thursday last, I paid a visit to Nanticoke Creek, and I went up as far as Rockford Mills,— where lumbering was extensively carried on, at one time; however, there is nothing of the kind there at present.—

There is a small grist mill on the Creek, in operation, at Rockford, owned by Joseph Holmes, of Jarvis,— I saw the miller, a respectable Englishman; who informed me; suckers, were numerous in the Creek, during the month of May— in each year.— "And this is what the Petitioners asked for, and it appears they did not know it."—

The saw mill at Rockford has not sawed any, for 12 years.— From this place, by the public road, to the Nanticoke dam, it is about 12 miles, and to Lake Erie,— it is about 2 miles further.— By the Creek, it would be about 20 miles.— From Rockford to Waterford, it is 8 miles.— There is no mill, nor dam; between Waterford and Rockford; nor between Rockford and Nanticoke.—

The stream at Rockford, is enhanced by spring water, and for a short distance further on, so that it becomes sluggish, muddy and dull; meandering between a small rocky gulf, the entire width of the stream.—

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,—
Ottawa,— Ont.

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Hamilton, Ont.

30. August 1886. - - -

Sir -

With reference to my report to you of the 30th of last, respecting the construction of a Railway in the town in the Huntsville, at the village of Huntsville; in the township of Stephen, and County of Simcoe. - - We petitioned for, by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, authority of the Corporation of the town of Parry Sound, to through such Parry Sound, the best place, on the town of Huntsville, or in the county, or adjacent reports to you more fully, on the 22nd of December 1884. - -

I now have report that on thursday last I paid a visit to Huntsville and Parry Sound and went up as far as Huntsville utility, when finding was extremely cold, at the time; however, there is nothing of the kind there at present. - - -

There is a small grist mill on the creek in operation at Huntsville, owned by Joseph Holmes, of Toronto. I saw the miller, a respectable Englishman; who informed me; business, was numerous in the creek during the month of July in each year. - - "Just this is what the Citizens asked for, but it appears they did not know it."

The saw mill at Huntsville has not sawed any for 12 years. - - Given this place, by the public road, to the Huntsville town, it is about 12 miles, and to Parry Sound, it is about 2 miles further. - - By the creek it would be about 20 miles. - Given Huntsville to Huntsville, it is 8 miles. - - There is no mill, or town between Huntsville and Huntsville; nor between Parry Sound and Huntsville. - - -

The return at Huntsville, is unknown by reporting and for - that existence further town, yet that it is some daylight, must by our side; commencing between a small rocky bay, the entire middle of the town. - - -

The Lieutenant Minister
Department of Public
Works. - Ont.

Mr Michael Widerick, the owner of the small grist mill, near the dam; at Mantiotha!! per my report of 22nd December 1884, it was reported to me; that his Tenant, who rented the Mill, ran away and did not pay his rent. --- So that you may Judge the profits to Mr Widerick, from his grist mill, are so small, that funds to construct a Fishway, need not be expected from Mr Michael Widerick. --- Besides, he has to keep the Bridge in repair and up on the public road:- under which the Mill Race, passes from the pond to the mill. ---

It will not take much, to put up a fishway, but I understand - Mr Widerick, is not in a prosperous condition at present to comply with the Petitioners prayer. ---

If you decide to build a fishway, I would recommend Rodgers model; on a small scale, it would be most suitable for this small dam. -- At present, I see no alternative; but that of the Department making and putting the Kile; and when the fishway is completed, a question arises - will farmers willingly pay licenses for catching the fish, so as to reimburse the outlay. ---

In days past, and years gone! suckers, mullets, now called redfins! pike, pickerel, perch, bass, &c, were numerous in this stream; but several years later, at the small falls, across the dam; referred to above; a very large and extensive catch of fish, was made, in this place; so much so; that they were used then to manure the land and feed hogs;- and after that they vanished for years. -

I submit the matter, and I recommend the same for your consideration and decision. - If ordered by you, I will prepare an estimate of the cost. -

Respectfully Submitted. -

J. Phillips. -
Fishery Overseer.

My Righteous Lordship, the owner of the house first made, was the claimant; at Montreal!! for proof report of 22nd December 1884, it was reported to me: that his Claimant, who hunted the white, has never had one of proof for his claim. — So that you may judge the people of My Lordship, from the first mile, are so cruel, that guards is contract a Christmas, must not be supported from my Righteous Lordship. — Besides, I see the Judge in report, put up on the public road: — under which the white tree, passes from the place to the mile. —

It will not take much, to put up a Christmas, but humanitarian. My Lordship, is not in a position and present to comply with the petitioners prayer. —

If you decide to build a Christmas, another tomorrow morrow model; on a small scale, it would be most suitable for this small town. — At present, I am on a transition; but that of the Department meeting and putting the line; and when the Christmas is completed, a practical one. while Jesus miraculously provided food for entertaining the poor, so as to reimburse the author. —

So long poor our poors poor! mother, neither more called Christian! pity, pitiful, poor, have, to, were numerous in this nation; but because poor little at the small pale, were the least; refuses to adore; a poor large our Lutheran Cotch of Jesus the place; so must so; that they were were the to number the least our poor large; our after that they number for poors. —

I submit the matter, and I commend the same for your consideration and decision. — If reason by you, I will prepare an estimate of the cost. —

Respectfully submitted. —

Philippian —

Richard Cassar

Issued on 30th August 1886. —

Baptiste
John Ellerin Jr.
Jos G. Arnold. —
Ptr Stanley. —
Ont.

a fishing license!! —

Issued on 30th August 1886. —

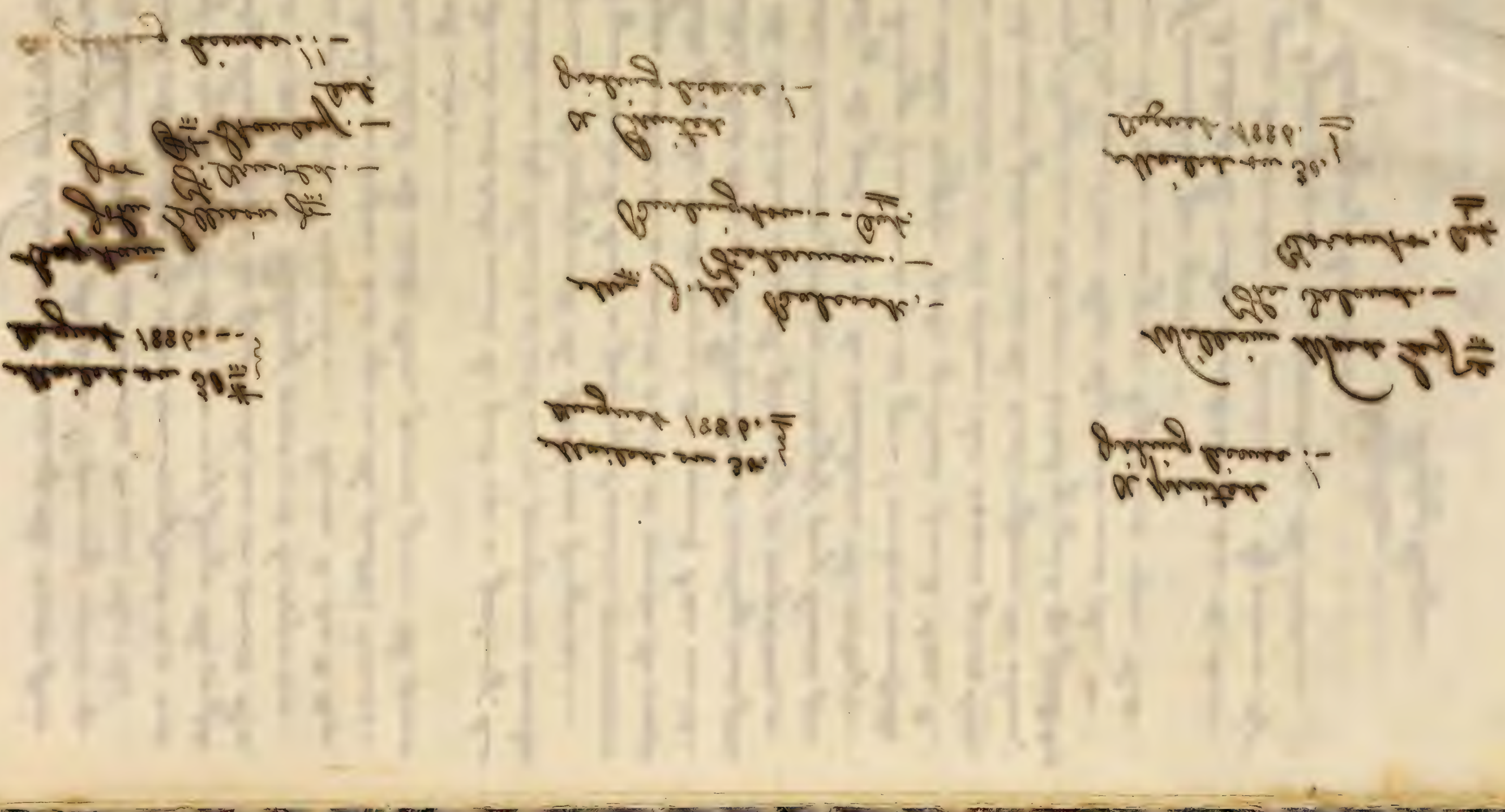
Wm J. de Rabeck. —
Fisherman. —
Burlington. — Ont.

a Printed fishing license! —

a printed fishing license! —

William Wood Esq.
The Island. —
Toronto. Ont.

Issued on 30th August 1886.



Hamilton, Ont.
30. Aug.t 1886.–

My dear Br: Pollock. ...

Yours of 27th inst. is just received and for which I thank you sincerely. ..

I am all change considered very well. – I do intend coming down to Brantford shortly. ... If unless meanwhile you prove his friends, before he begins to feel the want of it at all. – About their going to Oakville and Ont. Credit. They had better apply, and get their licences first ... The licence year is from 1st of January to 31st of December in each year. –

Look you, Edward Joyce, girl, and paid nothing. – Others attempted the same game. – It will not be tolerated. – Show you will

understand how matters are! –

Your friend, Capt. Ely, is now J.P. in Lake Hill! Beauty of Legislative changes! and I am appointed for the Legislative division in his place! ..

I collected of 2.270. settlers licence fees up close this year, before the 31st June last, at which date I – as Revenue services were dispensed with. – I was up to Ottawa on that business then last! and in doing that – Statistics have, Lake Hill! the very report, idle up below of the mill. –

In time to be sure, for it is this to me! many warm thanks to him, and glory is his name ... I am much indebted to your good, kind wife, for her true, sincerely judging and kindness to me at all times! please remember me kindly to her, and thank her for me! –

Yours fraternally. –

W. D. Pollock Esq.re
Brantford, Ont.

J. Hillyard Cameron
Ont.

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Hamilton: Ont.
30. August 1881.–

My dear Sir!–

If you did not get the Draft from Toronto last week, the reason was – I W. Ont – Toronto has now ...

I arranged for a 8 to 10 pounds fish – instead to you, to be given to our Grand Friday – Toronto Station – to forward ...

Well many thanks and my sincere and fraternal regards .. to home and

Yours very truly ...
[illegible]
Sidney Crosby

P. Armstrong Esq.
Station Master G. T. R.
Hamilton Ont ...

P.S.

Have very pleasant ride home – the weather delightful – just as I have wished your ride ...

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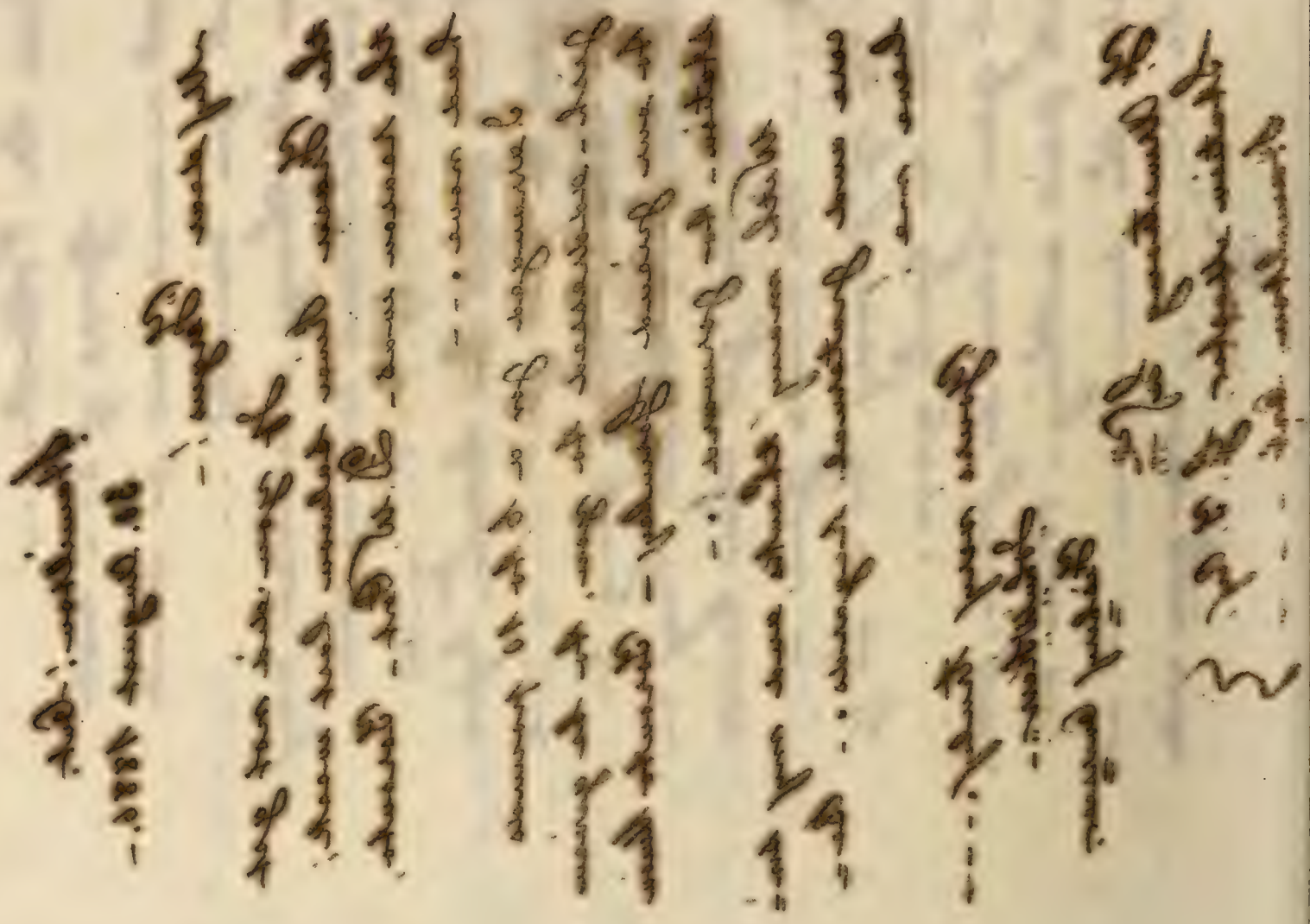
I have written a good many letters – [illegible] – have written to the Grand Hotel – [illegible] – [illegible] – [illegible]



Hamilton Cot,
30. August 1886.

My dear Brother Lewin!

I think you must excuse, - for your very kind invitation to stay here, and myself - for to spend a week in the Green Stone; - at the same time for obvious reasons, which I will explain to you we must be helpfully alone.

I am a year Whole lines today. Now I may now tell you that on the 21st of this month 40 years ago I landed with my wife at Port Stanley! I had no friends there then. I have a good many warm friends in Port Stanley this day. -

And how wonderful are the ways of Providence! I am yours -

Sidney Cooper! -

Now I will say no more, God blessing to your portion and that of my friends in Stanley for ever more.

Yours faithfully
John Williams -
Jr.

Capt.
John Ellison Jr
Pt. Stanley.

Lt. John Ellison landed -

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30 August 1884.

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Dear Brother Hamilton! Ont.
P.O. Long Point, Co. 31st August 1866.

My Dear Peter!—

I have just heard from Mr. John S. Mackenzie that you, and Jeanie, Duncan, D. Mary, Eva, & my girls, have left Toronto, & are now at Port Dover, perhaps that you may be at Long Point, perhaps that you may be about on the 26. [illegible] the New and [illegible] Dear write and [illegible] particulars....

[illegible] you know! that the last thing I heard of your plans at St. Catharines, as we met the Dear Angel, Mrs. Ogilvie, I stopped at Thomas, Mr. Duncan's for breakfast, and he gave the Team, since which time I got in with Jesse Chambers son, who gave me particulars of my application. [illegible] in his brothers hand of the Duncan D. Mary, for a home to girl a Duncan [illegible] the new ent in Little Dick!—

It was in consequence of this, that I wrote you on 21st June! Dear Dick a letter from Ottawa! about as more [illegible] not finding, getting on Long Point....

On the 10th July last, having made an application direct from dear Aunt, I forwarded the same to the department, and here now is what I wrote on the occasion!— Hoping!—

Hamilton! Ont.
10 July 1866.—

L.—

I write you Hamilton, on application I have received from Miss Mary of Mr. Duncan, for a home!— The girl is a person not [illegible] of the [illegible] girls, living on Long Point, having this second yr. The position of Long Point, now as you know Mr, I should say, although growing no part of the Long Point Berry's.

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property, now in part of their fishery
lands property, is nevertheless within the
limits reserved with King point. Property
now which the Otter Chief, at present pos-
sesses as land fishery Commr. . . .

Simon Gunter, is one of the persons, who
applied to the King point Chief, for permission
to the girls & parents under their
charge, this year! but this, you remember
circumstance, was not granted. . .

Simon intrigues to Otter Chief, was not
known any thing known to Simon Gunter,
on the part of King point, when ap-
plied for. . Besides, Simon Gunter, is
not the man to grant a privilege of
this kind to. –

He is taking with a small lumber
a large, from Chaffe to Lunenburg
point, up and down Lake Sic, fishing
tide, and by, it injures his situation, when
going down Lake Sic, to Chaffe to
ship at the Cove, and Gaspé

more good than going to the Chaffe
market. – Does not your Excellency
Simon Gunter, under proof our attention
whatever, to show reasons?. . .

Respectfully submitted! –

Sir, Your Obedt. Servt.
Indian Department of Victoria, Chief Superintendt.
Ottawa, Sept. 7

Now my Friend Otter, this was the
case that Gunter Simon Gunter's
application. . . Keep honour, Mr. Keep,
and Gd. Mr. Otter. Come in this
direction King point. Keep. Keep
upwards 5 miles into Lake Sic, south,
and 5 miles in to the Cove and Otter
Chief, Otter chief to grant the
permission. and tell Keep and Mr. Otter,
to stop at home! we are all satis-
fied with your exertions to grant
permission! believe me as ever. –

Yours very truly,
William Cunningham –

P. S. William Cunningham

Hamilton, Ont.
30. August 1886. –

Mrs Charlotte Reid!

I had a conversation with Mr Hoslett today regarding your property and affairs. – The argument you made to me, was for the purpose of getting the control of the property out of Blackburns hands – pay the money in the Bank at Brampton, to be checked out jointly – on the cheques of the Executors: so as to save and prevent a Law suit, which Blackburn and your own people were determined upon, only I stepped in and stopped it. – I merely held the property in Trust for you and your children.... When everything is arranged, then I step out of the loop hole. –

On 1st November next, 6. per cent interest, will have to be paid by you, on the purchase money 2.600. dollars, for the ye year ending 31st of October next. – This will amount to $ 108. – and don't you forget it. –

It is both just and proper that I should write you this letter, and delay the unfounded reports circulated of my robbing you and your children of their property. – I am held responsible for 360. ten per cent, paid down at the sale on the purchase money, and you owe me besides $ 100. – and $ 14 = $ 114. in all. – And now I ask and entreat of you to be prudent and economise keep out of debt, – and be saving, till you have paid every thing up! remember always – that you, enjoy the House and farm occupied by your father and mother – before you! – and commit no act of extravagance to reflect on their good meaning. – Still some time, remember the advice of a friend in need! – –

Yours &c.

My dear friend
My Lucey -- } Hamilton! Ont. —
31st August 1866. —

On tomorrow 54 years ago, I went in to the Royal Hibernian Garrison, and was sworn in, in the Town Castle yard - City of Dublin, - Ireland: for my own native County - Westmeath! By the late Lieutenant General Sir John Harvey, - who beat the Yankees in June 1813, at Stony Creek, township of Saltfleet, and County of Wentworth. -

I can this day view the Battle ground, from my place in Burlington, on the Mountain. - - -

Sir John, died many years ago, as Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia, at Halifax. Canada. -

I have not much home news, and so I thought of writing you something.

I served for 13 years and 8 months, under 3 different Commanders-in-Chief. - before coming to Canada. - -

I wrote the Comet, of the Fisheries department, Ottawa, on 26th instant, stating that I had completed my 40th year in Canada! landed at Port Stanley - and was at present Fishery Overseer, for Elgin Division! "Lake Erie", in which Port Stanley is situated. - And thanking him for his kindness to me: &c. - I may tell you the Comet is a most splendid Commentator, and a good fellow in all respects - besides; here is what he says in reply to my note! - thus: -

"Glad to have it. - Wish you a long continuance of the life lease for 40 years more". - I am afraid you draw a little too much on my well known modesty". "The Department could not fail to appreciate your intelligence, industry, and honesty. - And I was only too happy to avail myself of it".

I mentioned to the Comet, that I was

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Hamilton: Oct. 31st August 1864.

Sir, I am 37 years age, I was in the Royal Navy. Unfortunately I was was born in, in the Crimea South Wales. Only of Children. Father: My mother was Country Country Scotland! My the last Lieutenant Queen Royal Navy. who lost the Pension in June 1813, at Young Death Township of Shapfast, was County of Lanarkshire. I am this day now the Bearer. You my place in Hamilton, in the Hamilton. . . .

Sir, yet, was many years age, a Lieutenant Queen of three Ships, at Indiefy. Income. . . I have not much time now, so as I think it of writing you sensible I serve for 13 years and 8 months, under 1 different Commanders Officers. . . before coming to Income. . .

I write this Account of the Children department Office, on 31st instant, stating that I has completed my 40th year in Income! Income at the Study. was on of present Children Income. In Royal Minister: Sir, I in which the Study is situate. . . Just stating sir, I is Business to me: Yr. . . I may take you this Account is a most explicit Information, was a year Pension in the respects Income; has is what it age is really to my note!. — Thus:—

Please to Sir it. — Will you — Study continuance of the Sir Income In 40 year more?" I am expect you can — Sir it must in my with Income Income?" The department Sir not yet it appreciate with your intelligence, industry, and honesty. Sir I am only the happy to small my of it!"

I remain, to my Account. Sir, Your

and contentment reigns amongst the gallant men of Regia Division!" to which he replies! "May the Lord be thankful for that mercy."

He Concludes! with his best wishes! —

It is so pleasant to me when I learn that my humble acts in serving my Queen, and Country, are appreciated.

I hope your fishing for the balance of this season; will be in abundance and praying! — the recent change in the weather, and more changes coming will stir up the water in Lake Erie, and by that means cause the fishes to go their diurnal rounds! and cast their carcass in your Pound nets. — —

Why my dear friend, it is nearly two years since I received my Commission as Lieut. & Adjutant, of 3rd Middlesex Militia. — Oxford Barracks — being Head Quarters at the time. John Rumsey — Colonel. — Why, My dear friend, you and I are nearly all

your own — through the piece. — —

Colonel Alexander Dolsen, took hol; Mckay's place, who took hol: John Cameron's place! Gilbert Wong, and Alexander Lyton, were the staffs. — —

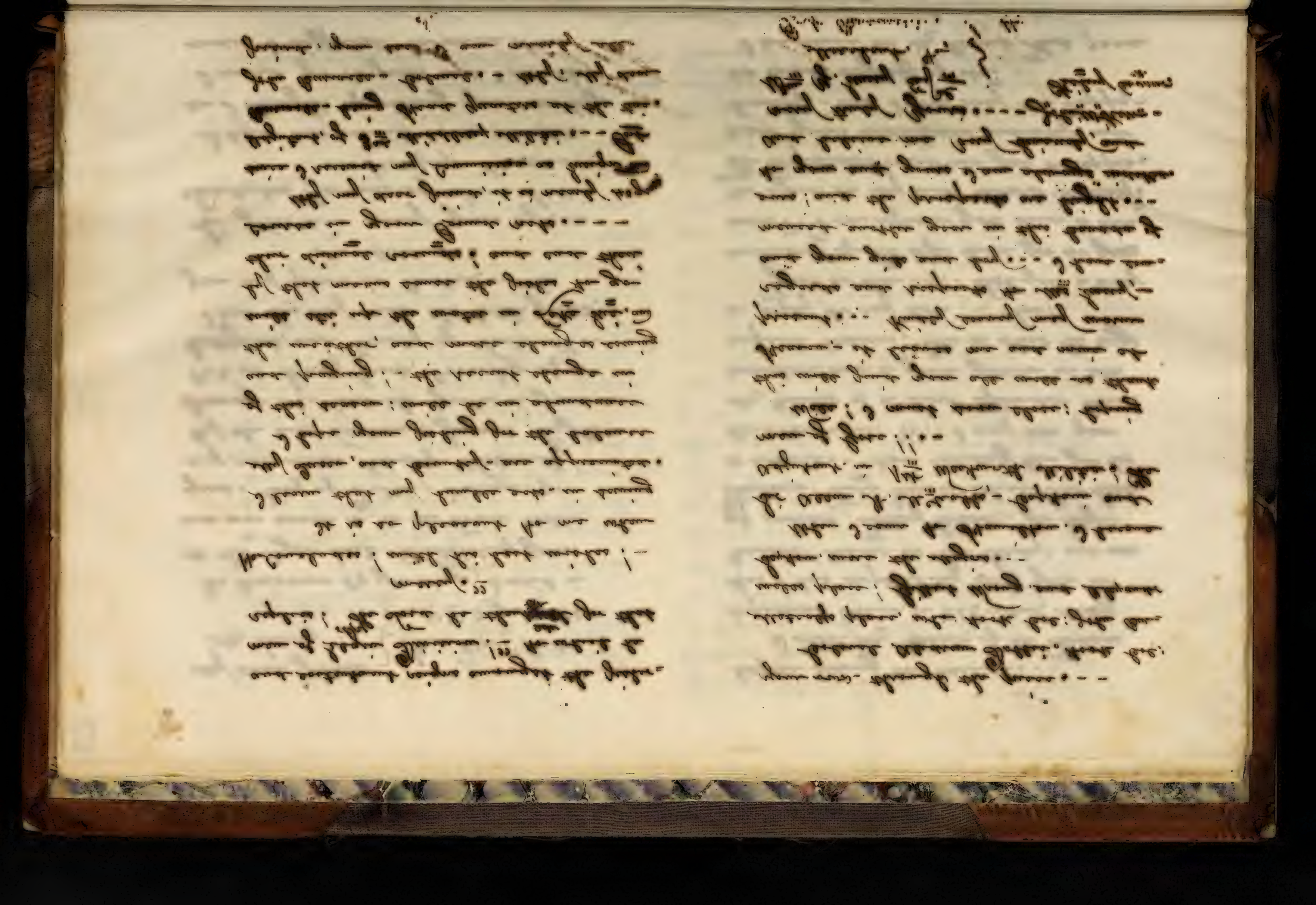
When I came to Hamilton, I became Sir Allan N. McNabb, — Captain and Adjutant, in 1st Wentworth Militia! The man of Force!! — —

Well! I must close; hoping this will find you all well as thank Heaven, — it leaves me and mine at present. — Kindly convey my warm regards and respects to Mrs Lucy, — and your girls and boy. — I have commenced another year in this branch of ours! and the prospects are bright. — to you and yours I am always indebted and believe me Dear Friend, and every thing Yours. — — John Wilkes —

Wm. Y. Lucy Esq.re
Merchant, &c &c

Oxford Canada West

Post Barnesville. ! 4.



Hinesburgh, Vt.
2nd September 1844.

My dear Sir,

Yours of the 16th ultimo is received. I will signify to you, gladly, your wish to have the land of Lake Champlain, north of Burlington bounds, in your own township of Milton, as I may there gratify the wishes of many of the best citizens, and I trust, I see no objection to your nothing to do, when your worthy predecessors have all been before you. For the laudable purpose of making your public lands and roads in Burlington, I can assure you that I am not the person who has been raising the question. I get permission from the Citizens the protract, Milton, for the business of Hinesburgh and others, to take some few building purposes and some gravel for roads and walks off the Gibbs farm of 66 acres, which, from the nature and size of Lake Champlain, I think the most reasonable to the claimant was, that no letter came to the master, nor left in the Gibbs house.

This question is which I have not it left up to the gentlemen in power, whose business it may be.

Consequently, there is no objection, to your taking the same as gravel for the purposes expressed, without money and without price.

There is abundance of land on your lands, near, which the great storm of Depew.

I am, my dear Sir,
Yours very respectfully,
Ezekiel Cooper

R. G. Cooper, Esq.
Burlington, Vt.

Copy

Killarney

Dear Sir — 20th August 1886.

There is some Crown lands in Solomon James, Esq.s Division, about 3 miles West of Point Dauphin — Gambling Point ....

Now as these special privileges allowed, what is the use of the Act if some parties are allowed and others prevented ....

Favour me with your opinion ....

I. W. Ken Esq.
M.P. — Hamilton, Ont. —

Respectfully Yours ....
D. Cameron —

Hamilton, Ont. —
5th September 1886. —

Sir, —

I received the above from D. Cameron of Killarney — and expecting that the remnant of the verge by Crown Joseph Wilson of the St. Saint Marie, I thought my best plan was to write to you on the subject .... I would like to take a Trip to Killarney — see my friends there and if these Crown note are being finished in contravention of the Fisheries Act: get Noble's Tug at Lyman Island, run down to Crown Solomon James, Division — and verge these pretended notes — now referred to by Cameron — This is a matter entirely for your own eye and ear ....

Respectfully submitted ....

L. O. Armstrong Esq.
Fisheries Department —
Ottawa, Ont. —

J. Wilson
Fishery Overseer

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Memorandum! for S. P. Smart Esq.
Indian department. —
Ottawa! Sept.

I suppose you have heard of Lake Huron. 3 white girls and a small Trout on yesterday (Monday) ....
I hope they are all safe. —

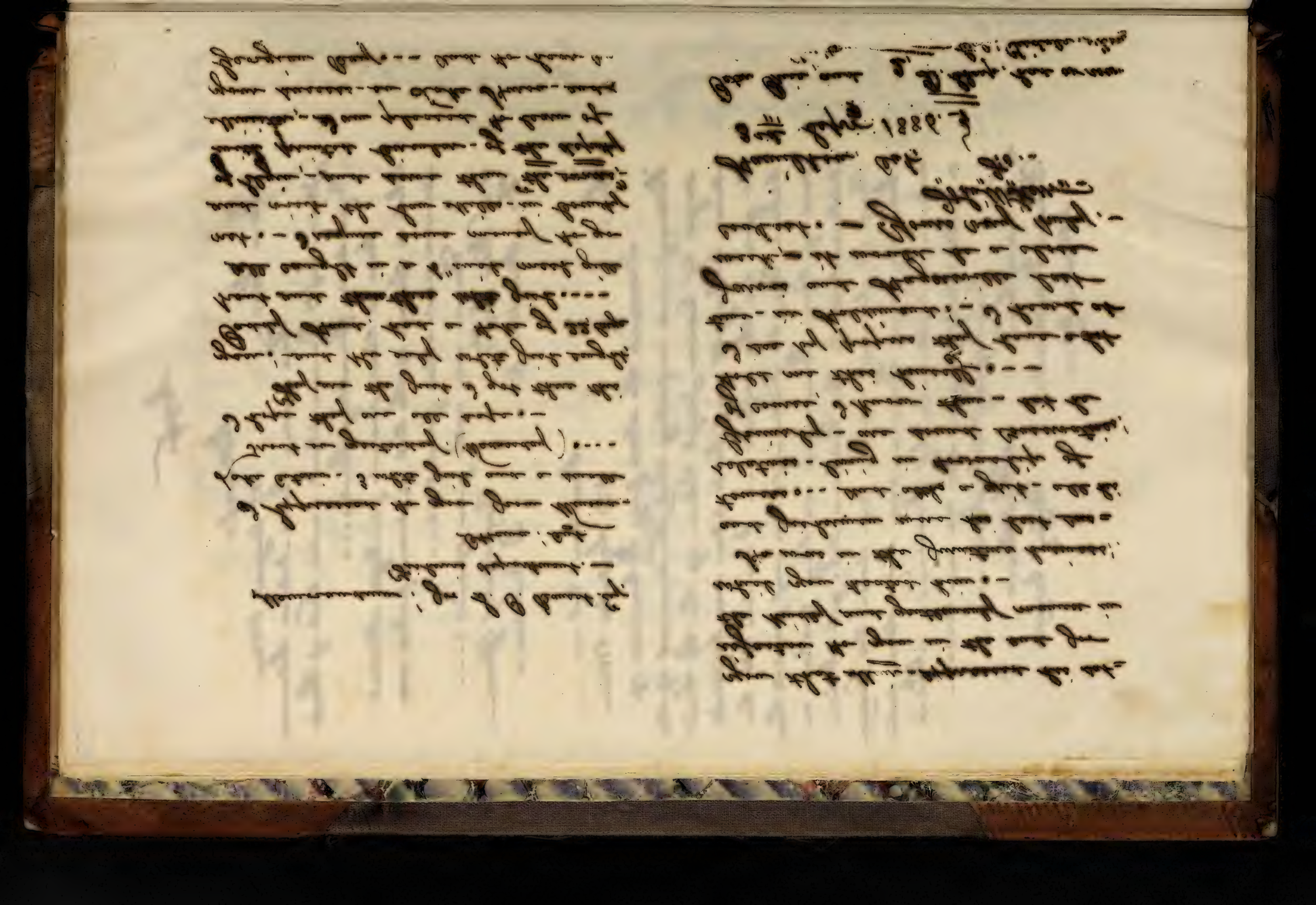
They are the first I got there this year! and the only white girls caught, Paddy Stone, has a take of 22 lake trout and three white girls....
All caught in a 6" inch mesh gill net. — I require some money to go and visit the low skiffs in Bruce & Elgin, and serve them "the owner" with printed circular of the deputy Minister, — I am pleased to learn of your success on Lake Huron and Georgian Bay. — And to hear to you that all in expressing his satisfaction to you in the end for the kindly and gentlemanly manner in which you treated him. —

So were in the Jarvis business!, and fishermen were his best customers. — And all his a gist — all his relatives living in township of Gloucester — are sound Conservatives! Of course, I know them — but he told me this himself. —

I see by papers they have a little time in Parliament! — I heard at Jarvis and Stoneville last week, — it would be a close contest. — Yours very truly, —
J. Hill Kerr —

Hamilton, Ont. P.O.
8th Sept. 1886.

Peter Rice and 2, D. Clap, have arrived
C.P.: Tidale, [illegible]



Hamilton, C.W.
7th September 1856.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose you Bank Cheque No: 422. for the sum of Fifteen dollars.

Will you be pleased to apply this amount as follows: for this amount paid on 1st Aug. 1. Daniel McGregor, Burlington Beach: "For his share to pick stones and deliver; the amount now sent in full. for picking in Lake Ontario, for year 1856 – $ 10.00 c.

2. Daniel Field, Burlington Beach – "For his share to pick in Lake Ontario stones and deliver; sent now in full: as above – $ 5.00 c.

Total $ 15.00 c.

I beg to apply for – Bank Cheque for Robert Beadle, of Burlington Beach: "For to pick 200 yards of Stoning fence note in Lake Ontario, fronting on the Township of Saltfleet, during this present year; the amount is to be of $5.00 c." –

I recommend that you will be pleased to grant this claim. – –

I also beg to apply to your Honor – Bank Cheque for three Millers, of Burlington Beach; for to pick 500 yards of Stoning fence note – in Lake Ontario fronting on the township of Saltfleet, during this present year; the amount is to be of $4.00 – I recommend that you will be pleased to grant this claim. – –

I have the honor to be,
Sir –
Your Obedient Servant –
J. Hamilton –

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Public Works. –
Ottawa. C.W. –

Military Commer. – –

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D. Sloan Esq.
Timber Inspector.
Crown Lands Office.

Hamilton, C.W.
7th September 1864.

Dear Sir,

I have been asked to make out and send to the Colonial Department, Ottawa, an estimate of a Timber Gallery in Montreal harbour, on the Michael Lavoie's wharf, and extra cost of the construction of the same. And you might add whether in your opinion it is desirable in the public interest that a gallery be built there and whether you consider a structure of the kind would lead to any practical results. And what the probable cost of building the gallery would be.

I send you a Bill of Timber for such gallery; and as you are in the Lumber Trade and business, you will be able to give prices. Thus:-

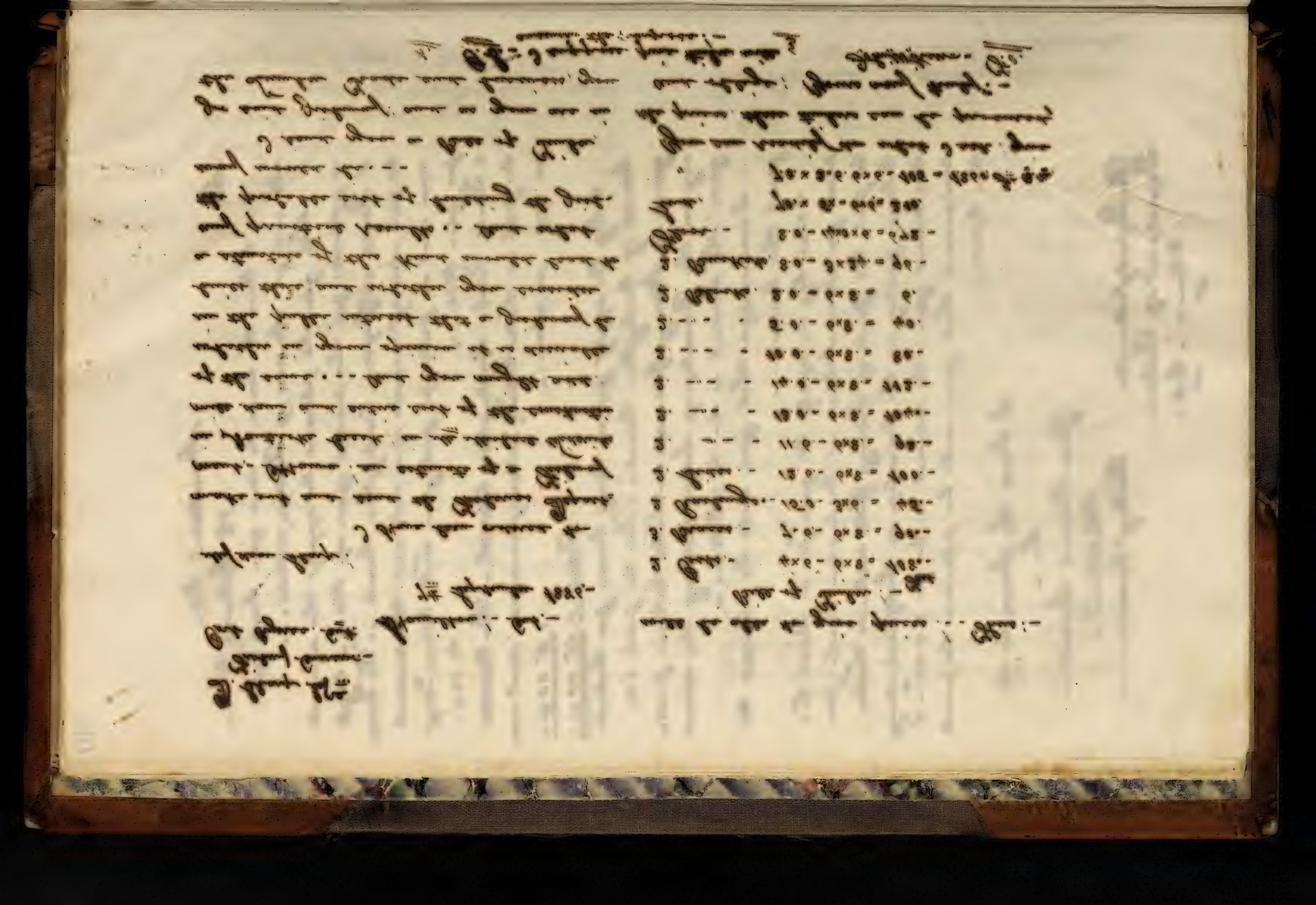
Bill of Timber.

				Total
2. Posts	4x6	6x8	=	192.
3. Braces	7.0.	6x8	=	90.
2. Railings	15.0.	3x6	=	45.
2. Sills	12.0.	6x8	=	192.
2. —	11.6.	6x8	=	92.
2. —	13.0.	6x8	=	104.
2. —	14.0.	6x8	=	112.
2. —	10.0.	6x8	=	80.
2. —	5.0.	6x8	=	40.
2. Blocks	2.0.	6x2	=	6.
2. Brackets	8.0.	3x24	=	96.
Floor	8.0.	14x8x6	=	672.
Seats	70.x	6x	6x4	= 840.
	70.x	2.6.	6x6	= 105 = 1260 Ft. B.M.

You can readily see what I ask, give the prices, then timber can be procured and delivered. Yours very truly.-

D. Sullivan. C.C.

N.B.- I suppose pine timber will be the cheapest.-



Hamilton:- Ont:-
10th September 1886....

Sir...

I have the honor to send you Bank draft No: 434, for the sum of Ten dollars....

Will you be pleased to apply this amount, as licence in full for year ending 31st day of December 1886... Viz:-

1. Mrs Jane Elliot.- Niagara:- "For balance herewith in full - for licence in Niagara River; and in Lake Ontario, at Niagara; already received and delivered."... Amount is,- $10.00/-

Respectfully submitted....

I Have the Honor to be.-
Sir:-
Your Obedient Servant,-
John W. Kerr.-
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister.-
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa Ont.

Hamilton: Ont:-
10. September 1886.-

My Dear Sir:-

Your Note forward to the Gen: Post Office of $10.00/- Ten dollars for year ending December 31st Niagara and Lake Ontario; at Niagara.... on the Lake. I am much pleased and for which I thank you.... As an old friend you will pardon my delaying the money - and not remembering - I took me Thanks Ont: for, have not yet received your 1886 - yet....

I am glad to have you see all made and that you have had a good number.... Our Lake Fishery is still!!.. to see this northern Fish reason!.. Lyons is represent Lower, and he no more Lower....

I thank you kindly for your may

Hamilton, Ont.,

Dec. ... 10th September 1886...

I have the honor to send you herewith my

[illegible]: for the sum of [illegible] dollars...

Will you be pleased to apply this amount as

licenses in full for year ending 31st day of De-

cember 1886... Yours &c.

A. [illegible] Jones Esqr. Chief Inspector Licenses for

[illegible] in full. For licenses in Hungerford Town; one

in Stoke Bruce, at Hungerford, [illegible] licenses

[illegible] ... Amount &c. $10.00

Respectfully submitted...

I have the honor &c.

[illegible]

Your obedient servant

[illegible]

[illegible]

The Provincial Secretary

Department of Crown Lands

Toronto Ont.

kind enquiries after my own health Mrs Kerr, and members of our family. –
Thank God and you and yours I feel happy in telling you we are all well; just about in such a way as you would like to find old and young friends. – –
The summer was expressively hot, and I avoided travelling during present quarter, except where it was necessary in the performance of my duties. – I have charge of the County of Legin Division – Lake Erie – etc to myself about 60 miles of lake frontage and I collected £2.260,– bounty gun up before the end of June last there this year. – I have my old Division, from Grand River, Lake Erie, – to Fort Erie – Dundas and Niagara, Hamilton – Toronto and Whitby – to attend to and look after! easy and agreeable work at present. – – –
My son Edward – fell off the roof of a House 28 feet from the ground, was

seriously hurted – (no bones broken) he got a great shock, he is nearly himself again. – – –
And now my friend Mrs Elliott of 21 years and 5 months, will you kindly – remember me to your daughter, my friends – Mr Blain, – and your sister; whom I saw at Mr Blain's – on my last visit to Niagara. – – –
Kind and warm regards to your Dunnamanie's; and as usual, "with permission"! – Ever friend! –

J. Phillips Kerr – Esq.

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Hamilton! Lat.
of seven Lamas! 18. September 1886.

Dear Jerome! I don't think any person has a special privilege to fish Canadian lakes, at Grantley point in Georgian Bay! because I am aware John P. Allen, at Bayfield Northern use the infernal to fish there; this year "pretty considerable too, at that" he would not be tolerated to fish.... In order that the Barnett might understand the case fully. I sent him a copy of your letter.. he write home then up! I am surprised at Coleman James. No.. but the Grantley point is I suppose between French River and Collins Inlet, and the upper end of his division.... Messrs Duffy & Wilson of Collingwood have O'Leary and we have our parcels given to Mr Duffy. recently applied to fish S O'Leary

in Lake Huron, but it was not granted. In Lake Ont. we have abundance of O'Leary.. 43 in the Legal Division of Lake Ont! about 60 miles of Lake frontage...

In Lake Ont. the Sturgeon catch is very extensive, sometimes enormous! 900 Sturgeon, picked up alive waiting for a better market, is not an unusual thing! I have seen Sturgeon sold at 8 cts per pound! and from 2/- cts. 4 cts is a contract price per pound for the entire season! - up to 8 cts

We have no O'Leary in my division of Lake Erie; and only 5 fishermen fishing for Trout and Wh: fish. with fyke nets. between Sturgeon and Whitefish... The Big fish carried on is for Bass. Herring and Sturgeon. I asked for permission to come up to Killarney to see you and the Barnett, but have not heard the result yet. -

We are all very well in health and

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quite comfortable. –

I have at present the Elgin Division of Lake Erie; altogether under my charge. Captain Alley, Mr. Pride, who had charge of the Division, became a defaulter, kept back of $200,. but I got it from him, for the Fisheries department. He was suspended last year; paid up to 30th of June last, when his services were dispensed with. – He meant no harm, in the long run; but the department thought differently. – I investigated the matter against him and reported facts, which you know are stubborn things. –

Our common friends remember me to Mrs. Bowman and hoping soon to see you and thank you both, personally, for your kindness to me. Believe me with sincere regards, – Yours faithfully, –

D. Bowman Esq.
Fr. Kilkenny –
Ont.

John Wilson
P.O. –

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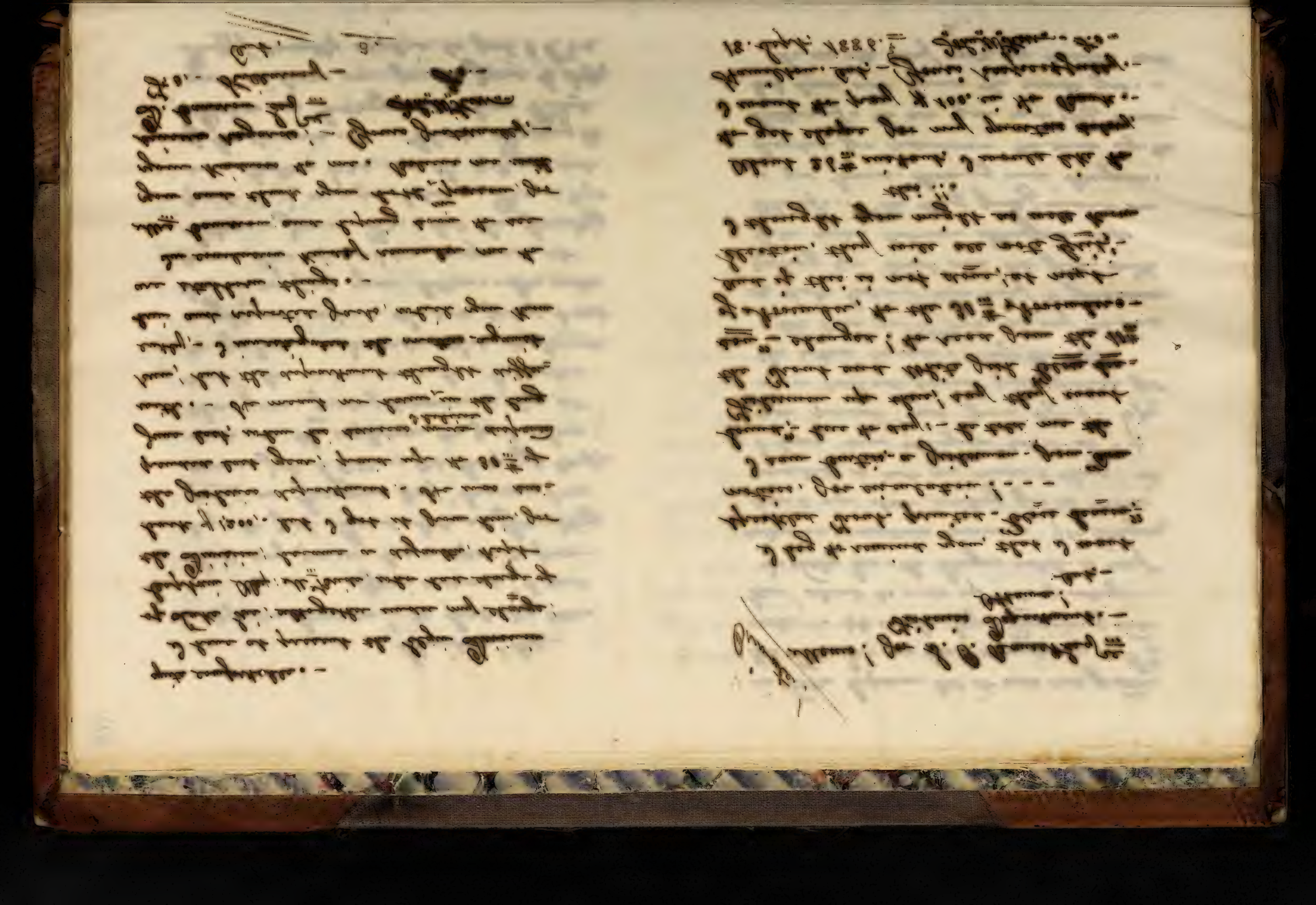
Gentlemen! For S. P. Smith Esq.
Fisheries Department. –
Ottawa!
Ont. –

I beg to remind you, that I want Speckled Trout. printed. "Have been" notices, for circulation! – – –

I saw Curtis, a Fishermen, from "Dunbount", here to day; – he told me the Fishermen up there, say they want the Trout and White fish "Close season" – changed! to read from the 10th of November, to the 30th of November. – And if this is not done, at next Election, they will all vote Grit! – I thought you might as well know this !!.

About 26th instant, I would like to to get change for my quarter salary. I want to pay $100. in to Bank. – Hamilton, Ont. – Yours respectfully. –
18. Sept. 1886. John Wilson P.O. –



Hamilton! - Ont. -
11th September 1886....

Sir. -

I have the honor to send you Bank Draft, No: 441. for the sum of Ten Dollars....

Will you be pleased to apply this amount for this current year as follows: viz.....

1. John Bolton, Niagara! "For a Boat license to fish gill nets in Lake Ontario!" received and delivered! - the amount sent herewith is, - - - $5.00. -
2. Charles Bolton, Niagara! - do, - do, - do, 5.00. -

Respectfully Submitted. -

Total, $10.00 -

I have the Honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant. -
J. Phil. Wickham -
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries. -
Ottawa. - Ont.

Hamilton, Ont. -
20. Sept. 1886. -

Sir. -

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. Enclosing Bank Draft, No: 441. for $10.00 for the purchase of two gill nets for fishing in Lake Ontario. - Allow me to remind you that the license issued to John Bolton, Niagara, was for a boat license only. The amount sent should be returned to you. I will write to the party who received the money for the license, and request him to return the amount to you. - Regret the mistake.

Yours respectfully. -
J. Phil. Wickham -
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries. -
Ottawa. - Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.,
11th September 1884.

I have the honor to enclose you three drafts,
No: 441, for the sum of Five Dollars. - - -

Will you be pleased to apply the amount of
the amount you are perhaps indebted - - -
A. John Bolton, Esquire, Dr. to Post Office to Pub
lic moneys in their hands, - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $5.00.
the amount sent herewith &c. - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $5.00.
2. Thomas Bolton, Esquire, - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $5.00.
Respectfully Yours,
Total $15.00

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
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[illegible]

The Superintendent
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

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Hamilton, Ont.—
12. September 1886.

My dear Mr Mellwill.

I am in receipt of yours of 9th instant, with enclosure to you from George Leslie Jr Esquire, Leslie, P.O.— of 7th instant . . . .

Will you on receipt go and procure for me the licence granted to George Leslie Jr Esq. and buy.— and on my receiving it— I will report and lay all matters in this case before the Deputy Minister. — Ascertain and report to me the description of fish of all kinds— caught by these gentlemen amateur fishermen.

The licence asked for, was!— "To fish a legal white fish seine 120 yards long, in Lake Ontario; off the long beach, "between the ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ of the entrance from "Lake Ontario into Ashbridges Bay,— and "Norway, situated on the main land,

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"and fronting on Woodbine Race Course, "and the lower end of Ashbridges Bay".

Now then, it was distinctly understood between Mr H. Callander and myself, at Leslie, on the 8th of June last, that in case there was no white fish, the licensee could go on process a small Herring seine, and fish for Herring and rough fish: for balance of the year. And it is to this end I now write you. — It is a very improper way for to do business on the part of P.O. Johnson. to deprive these gentlemen of a little pleasure, paid for amply. And I dont suppose they ever caught a single White fish!— and if they did, they done it in ignorance of the law: see section 16. of the Fisheries Act. —

Please answer at once, and oblige

Wm Mellwill Esq. Yours Sincerely.—
Highland Creek, John W. Kerr.—
Ont. (2.) F. Burness.

Hamilton, Oct.

12. September 1886.

My dear Mr Gallwey.

I am in receipt of your of 9th instant, with enclosure for your Grange clients & tenants, viz.:

£0.. of 7th instant ....

While you are in receipt of our fine for the tenant's premises & small holding clients & tenants, we feel, & could be, not in reason it. I write to put out for all matters in this case before the Property Arbitrator. Meanwhile we report to you the classification & fixed of all tenants, only these gentlemen mentioned Rathsiney & the tenant on the farm, one. The tenant's point seems to be your claim in the tenancy of the tenants, "that the tenancy of the farmers by the Arbitrator for the main house,"

"that putting on Valuation these two" "and the house and of Arbitrator for" "Hennessy, attached on the main house,

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Cont. (2) of Tenancy

"that putting on Valuation these two" "and the house and of Arbitrator for"

Now then, it was distinctly understood between Mr & Gallwey and myself at Clonbs, on the 8th of June last, that in case there was no satisfactory settlement, could be on premises a small Hennessy house, and that he should be entitled to the house of the farm: he believes of the farm. But it is to this and I now write you. It is a very unfair way for the business on the part of Gallwey. He depends these gentlemen of a little pleasure, point he supply. But I must suppose they are entitled a single satisfactory point! and if they did they show it in consequence of the tenancy section 16 of the Valuation Act.

These reasons at once, and adding Mr Gallwey's (Hennessy) claim, the house Cont.

Cont. (2) of Tenancy

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J. W. Kerr. Esqre.
F. O.- Killarney.-
Hamilton. Ont.- September 13th 1886.-
Dear Sir.-

Your letter of 10th is to hand.-

The Pound Net, or Nets (I am not certain how many.) that was set on Solomon James. F. C. Division was taken up on the 3rd instant. I presume they were Noble's nets, as the Tug Ramsey- was towing them.-

It was reported that C. Noble- was going to Peninsular Harbour, Lake Superior to remain there all winter to fish.-

On the 11th instant there was shipped from Noble's- "per City of Owen Sound"- Two Hundred Fish packages- "empty barrels"- Two Pound Nets, One small fishing boat, destined for Jack Fish Bay, Lake Superior.-

I am told the two men that was working this summer at the Pound Nets,- for Noble's, have also gone.- The fishing boat they have taken, is rather small to fish Gill nets, and no doubt, is to use for Pound Nets.-

Jack Fish Bay, and other places on Lake Superior, is no doubt a quiet, isolated place where Pound Nets could be used in "Close Season"- without any interference.-

Respectfully Yours.-
Signed,- D. Cameron.-

Hon: Jos. A. Ouimet Esqre.
F. department. Ottawa.

I have always found Cameron,- correct in information he has conveyed to me from time to time.-: It is just, right and proper that you should be aware of what is illegally being carried on.

Hamilton. Ont.
17. Sept. 1886.-

Yours &c. J. W. Kerr.- F.O.:

Copy.

Mr. Wm. Ingersoll
Ft. O.

Hillsboro, Oct. — September 15th 1886.

Dear Sir —

Your letter of 10th is to hand. The Count asks, or asks (I am not certain how yet) that we set a Delaware Jesse. Ft. O. Junction was taken up on the 3rd instant. I presume they were asked, as the day Jesse — was leaving them.

It was reported that Ft. Wayne was going to Bainbridge Hughes, date superior to Jesse this all matter to find.

On the 11th instant there was shipped from Hillsboro, per bill of lading "Jesse Lowe" Ft. Wayne. "Empty barrels." The Count asks, he made picking last, destined for Fort Wayne, date superior.

I am told the two men that was working this summer at the Count asks, for which I am sure. The picking last they have taken, is rather small to find fault, and as short, as to use for Count asks.

Fort Wayne, and other places on date superior, is no doubt a great disturbance where Count asks could to meet in "Jesse Lowe." without any interference.

Respectfully Yours,

Signed — B. Lowe

Also: Ft. O. Count Ft.

B. Department Office: I have always found Lowe — correct in information to the company to me from time to time. It is quite right and proper that he should be aware of what is allowed being carried on.

Hillsboro, Oct. 15th 1886. — Yours — B.

Hamilton, Ont.
20. September 1856.

Dear Jack!

Yours received. If possibly can I will be down next wednesday or thursday. ...

I am off today for Lake Erie where I am wanted more than at present at Ashbridges Bay. so far as the fishing is concerned. ...

The Lasalle gentlemen only made one haul, caught some shad then spread the seine on the Beach to dry; when Johnson took it away. ... Mr William Ward paid his license fee $10. I sent the amount to Ottawa, got up the license; countersigned the same and sent it to Mr Ward, at the Island.

I hope you are in good health, enjoying the comforts of life. Kindly remember me to Mrs Gurnell. Of course, fish nothing is carried on, illegally - in Ashbridges and Toronto Bays - during spring and the fall in each year. Johnson was appointed to look after such contraventions of the fisheries Act you know, that he never does his duty. - If I dont come down this week you may expect me next week. ... I was in Toronto once since I saw you the last time, but I had no time to come down. ...

Fish not biting except for bass. Spawning will soon end for this season. I am just about as usual. - I dont expect to live in this world for ever! but will have to, as long as God pleases! And with warm regards. -

Yours Sincerely. -

D. O'Hara - Jr.

Mr John Gurnell,

P.S. How the Americans make their appearance outside. in Little big! gilding Bill?

Hamilton, Ont.
20. Sept. 1886.

Mr Dear Remy.

You have again broken faith with me: I may as well tell you that unless you pay up, you blame for failing next year will be a blank one....

Already applications from Grand River, the Wind Mill point, for next year's licences for 15. Grand Nets, are in my possession! Cash down! in full of 750....

You stand in your own light, by not paying up: and you damage my reputation as a friend.

I hope poor Remy is better. What was the matter with your little Tim (Thomas) Celine me! Yours truly...

J. W. Remy Esq.
Lion Creek

H.

Hamilton, Ont.
20. Sept. 1886.

My dear Friend

I begin the morning by writing [illegible] at Kingsway with people and together I am getting afraid [illegible] Grand [illegible] more [illegible] I hope [illegible] Kind of fish [illegible] you [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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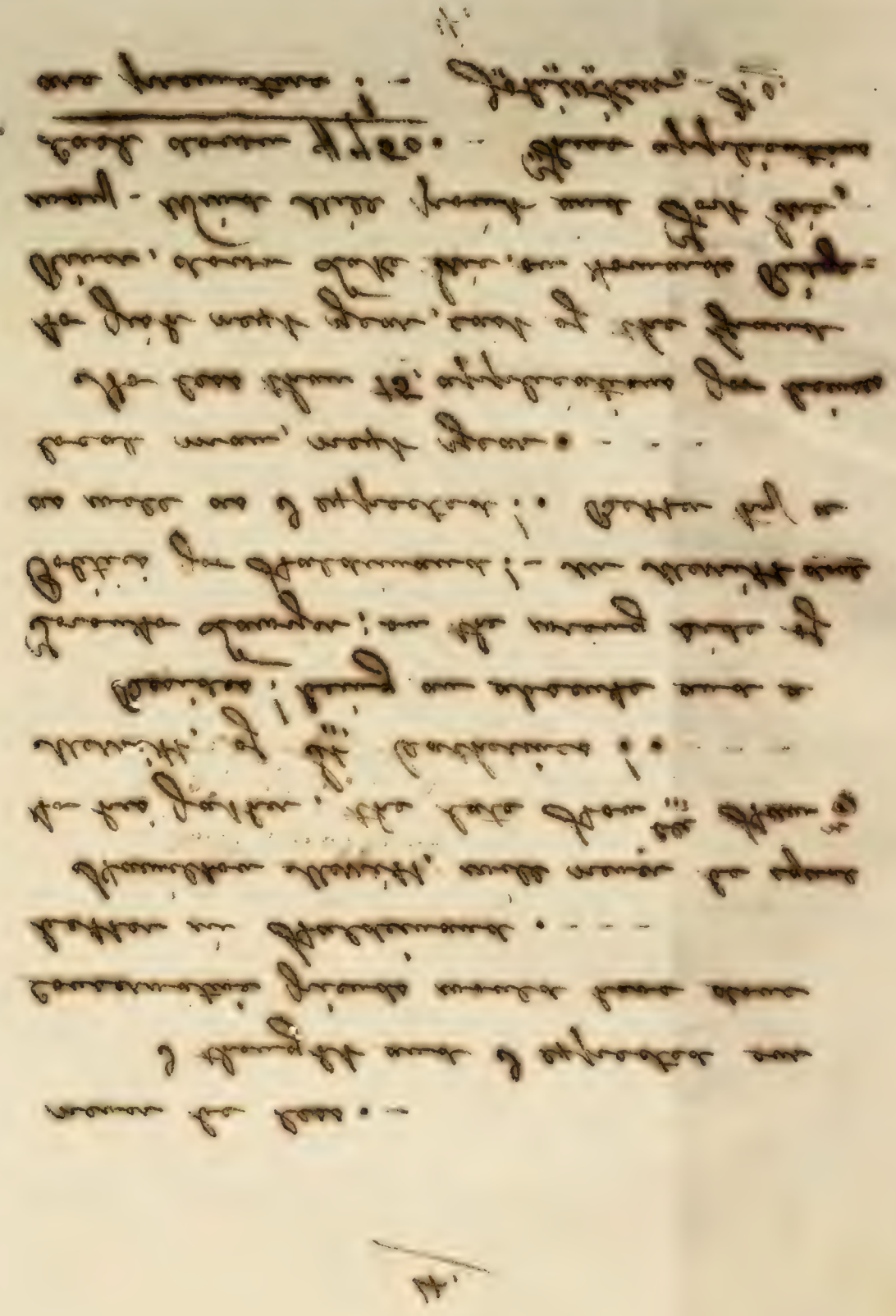
never be less. –

I thought and I expected our Conservative friends would have done better in Haldimand. – – –

Hamilton Merritt, will never be equal to his father, the late Honble Hamn^n Merritt, of St. Catharines!. – – –

Besides! being an absentee and a Toronto Lawyer; on the wrong side of Politics for Haldimand! – Mr Merritt did as well as I expected!. Better try a local man, next year. – – –

No less than 15, applications for licence to fish next year, east of the Grand River, down Lake Erie, on Townsends Ridge, may – Wind Mill point and Fort Erie, each down $750. These applications are premature! – Johnston, J.P.



Captain McPride - to be rusticated, is to see a common phrase, not at least many Ordinary. -- It may be the conversation may the Writer has of seeing things. This was not the way the late Edward Montagier, when Sec. O. some days — I am satisfied when he sees the presidential candidate is elected! "he will not be a Mole Rangs duck!!" having the two ways about him. -- Thank God, I never was! and I hope never will be a tool in any one's hands.

I thank you for your Kind advice. "for to take care of my health." - you may rest satisfied I will do so! a Kind word in time, is always well spoken and Kindly and gratefully received — thankfully acknowledged. -- I am under many compliments to you for your care and Kind advice; and with Kind regards to you and Yours. I am Very Truly Your Obt. Servant, Yours Very Truly. -

Fort Kearney, Nebraska, Abbottsburg Ia.

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Confidential & private.
I suppose

Private! -

I never advised the removal of McPride! or between Thompson and him! he is far a head of McPride who took an advantage of his good nature and his loose way of doing things at Omaha. I express myself always to you above board! this way of doing business, will stand the light of day. ---

A man in my younger days, as far back as the year 1838, told me, in a certain occasion!! Place no confidence in man, for if you! he will deceive you! - And altho that was quite 43 years ago; this advice stands good to this day! - Can prime, Sir John a, in having a nice time: stay his stand on

Hamilton, Ont.
20. Sept. 1886.

My dear Sir;

Your Banner Port has not yet a single letter received. I do I promised when I paid you $30.- I would pay balance the latter end of this month. I may take you now as I told you then I mean to do so.

I must say now! that I expect the Tens. Mfg plants are lots in the season; and a very dry season at that! as I suppose all dead. hope this is of day! [illegible]

About Jordan hunter!. I may see you: I make bargains with Newsy agents! just in such a way as he wants hunter.

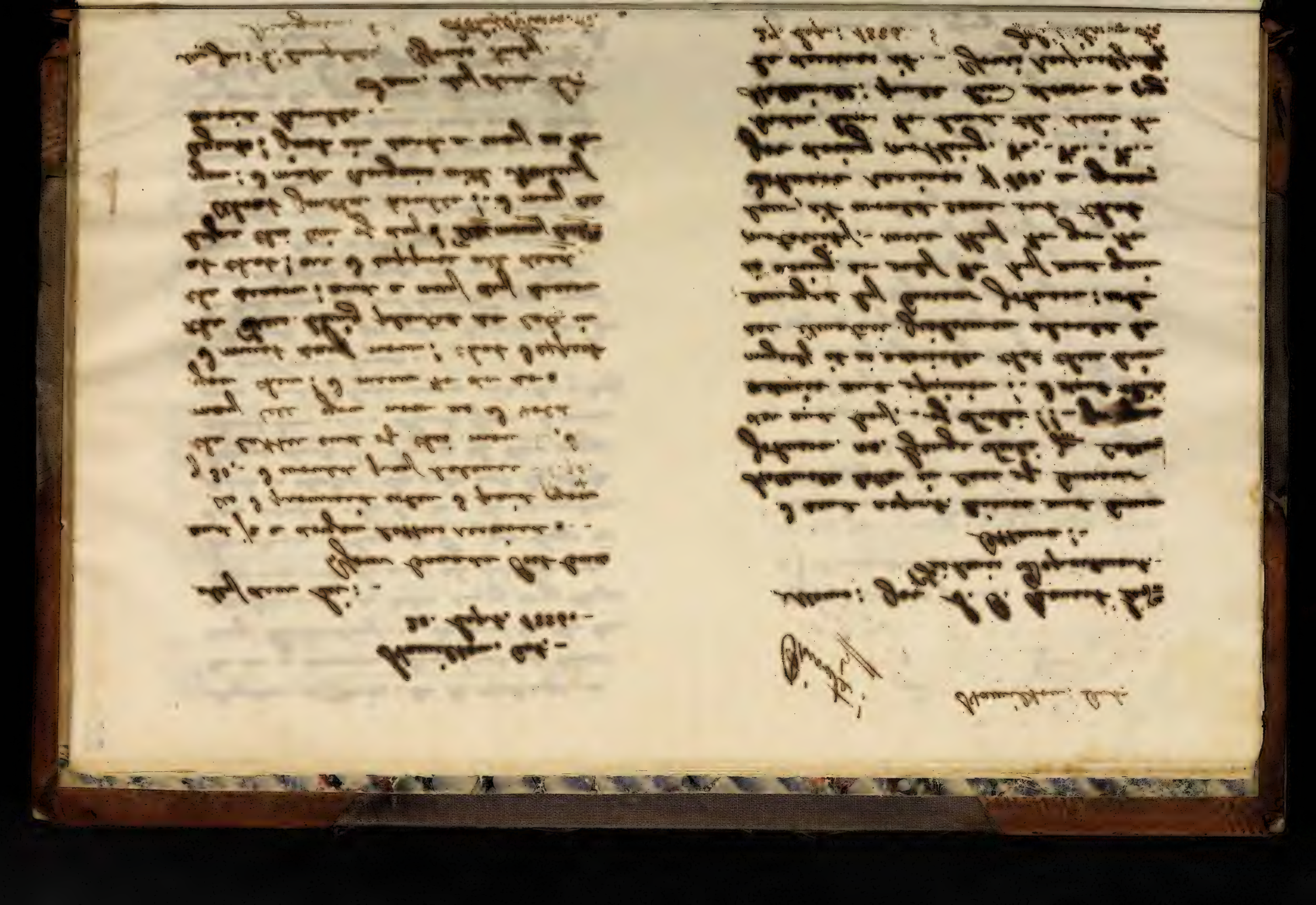
I am, My dear Sir,
Yours truly,
John L. Campbell, Esq.
Niagara, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.

Private!

Dear Sir, Yours R. O. Sweet Esq.
Public Department.
Ottawa!-

I have expected, since and Commissioner letter in case of Commissioner Johnson, vs. George Lake & others one half. - of Lake!!- [illegible] opinion!. I find this myself it is evident that these Commissioners Amateur Gaolers should be managed by Commissioner Johnson: who is doing so only for half one year [illegible] - were they to go to law, it would come out that Johnson receives $100, a year for doing nothing. Vs. - Vs. - Vs. - [illegible] to hand the case to McDiarmid: quite time down a peg. he deserves it. - Yours respectfully,
27. Sep: 1886.
John L. Campbell Esq.



Hamilton, Ont.
22. September 1886...

I beg most respectfully to apply for my
for Boat License to fish Herring gill nets in the
public waters of Lake Erie, during the current
year; and I recommend the same for your
consideration! Yours &c.

1. John Smith, Hamilton! For a Boat License
to fish 150 yards of 3½" mesh Herring gill nets
in Lake Erie! fishing on his own farm; - the
amount is Two Dollars! $2.00 ¢.

2. Peter Smith, Port Dalhousie; For a Boat License to
fish 300 yards of 3½" mesh Herring gill nets in
Lake Erie, fishing on the Township of Pelham,
between old Fort Erie, and Point Abino, the
amount is Five Dollars $5.00 ¢.

This man intends to occupy the Lake shore,
next one of the pleasure grounds, between the
Railway, and the outer edge - for landing and
drying his Boat, and I see no objection. -

3. Charles Chisler, Hamilton; For a Boat
License, to fish 200 yards of Herring gill nets,
in Lake Erie, fishing on his farm, three 3½" mesh
nets! the amount is Two Dollars $2.00 ¢.

I have the Honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
Wm. Gibson,
J. Crown.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries...
Ottawa, Ont.

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22. [illegible] 1886.

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1. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Please put up in your Boat House

Mailed on 27th Sep.

John Bolton Esqre
Fisherman. —
Niagara on the Lake

Please put up in your Office

Mailed on 27th September 1886.

John Redland Esqre
Boat Builder, — &c.
Niagara on the Lake

Please put this up in the Gaol house

Mr Frank Jackson, —
Oyster. Fisherman, —
Port Burwell, Ont.

Mailed on 27th Sep: 1886.

Please put up in your Gaol House

John Price Esqre
Port Stanley
Ont.

Mailed on 27th Sept. 1886.

Mailed on 27. Sep: 1886.

Ferdinand Kuntze Esqre,
P.M. & Fisherman,
Port Stanley. Ont

Sent to Capt. John Teeson

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Please put up and
your pill boxes

Mass. Joseph Page.
and
James Baldwin,
Pro. Sec. Fishermen.
Gloucester, Mass.

Mailed on 27th
Sept. 1886.

Please put up and
your pill boxes

William Edward Lane
Ord. Sec. Fisherman,
Gloucester, Mass.

Mailed on 27th Sep:
1886.

Mailed 27th
Sept. 1886.

Joseph Brown Lane
Grocer, Vt. Vt.
King st. to st. Hamilton Ref.

Please put up and
your pill boxes

Daniel Patterson Lane
Ord. N. Fisherman
Alles, A.

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in your field book.

Messrs Lowery, Lane & Backhouse.
Oyster Net Proprietors.
Port Burwell, Ont.

Mailed on 27th Sep: 1886.

Please post up the
of the Net

Captain John Lemon
Port Stanley
Ont

Mailed on 27th Sep: 1886.

Please post up
Field Book

Captain, Thomas Thompson.
Port Burwell
Ont

Mailed on 27th Sep: 1886.

Will call next mail
Doctor &c.

Daniel Lang Esqre
Eagle Post office.
Ont

Mailed on 27th Sept. 1886.

Post up in your
field bk.

George Brown Esqre
Canal Net Fishermen.
Port Burwell
Ont

Mailed on 27th Sept. 1886.

Allenstein am 27. Apr.
1886.

Herrn Pastor Pfarrer
in Pr. Eylau.

Hochgeehrter Herr Pastor!

Beiliegend erhalten Sie
die Taufscheine.

Mit Gruß
Ihr ergebener
Pastor Bonnecke.

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Fishing license! —

Mr Peter Scott, —
Fisherman. —
Fort Erie. —

Issued on 27. —
Sept. 1886. — 3 — Ont.

Fees and Clerk's
fishing licence — 5

G: Manuel Esqre
Hotel Keeper. —
Port Colborne —

Issued on 27th
Sept. 1886. — Ont.

Hamilton: Ont.
27. September 1866.

Sir,

I beg most respectfully to report, and beg leave you for consideration and your decision and for the future guidance of your orders to Fishery Overseer William Johnson, of Toronto Bay, who might be advantageously let similar cases in future that do not concern his sphere.

I take the liberty of retaining a duplicate of this case; the licence forwarded nothing by having it in consequence of Overseer Wm. Johnson's absence. The licence was issued by the Department to Henry Ballander and Boy of Leslie, on the 7th July last, and would now take the liberty of recommending that you will be pleased to change this licence, for a licence to seine fish for Herring, perch, suckers, shiners, and rough fish; instead thereof.

Also be pleased to order Wm. Johnson, Esq. to return the seine to Mr. Wm. Hallinan, F.O. — in whose division, the licence fishing ground is situated, to be restored if the licence will accept it. — According to Overseer Hallinan's letter, enclosed, it does appear there was no fishing committed at all; nothing to justify Johnson at the time to seize a seine seine, fishing on the shore of Lake Ontario, in a place where Johnson has no jurisdiction nor authority to mention licence fishermen, by the depositions and Mr. Hallinan's letter, gives the extent of all the fishing done; up to time of seizure of net.

Respectfully submitted! —

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

The Deputy Minister
Department of Fisheries, Your Obedient Servant,
Ottawa, Ont. John W. Kerr, F.O.

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1846.			in miles.		
Aug.	28,	Attended Police Court in cases agt. John Pettit and others. —	1.	14. and 8. 8. miles.	1. 50.–
—	9.	At Port Credit, found all right.	1.	62. Ry. R.	3. 75.–
—	12.	At Vienna, found all right. —	1.	30. R+B.	2. 25.–
—	16.	On Burlington Beach, all right. —	1.	26. do.	2. 40.–
—	18.	Off to Dundas, found the William Campbell dead!	1.	36. Ry. 14. and Ry.	2. 00.–
—	22.	Off to Port Colborne, thence to Low Banks – and back to Port Colborne.	1	89. B. Team.	1. 00.–
—	23.	At Pt. Colborne, Ridgeway, Fort Erie, and Niagara!	1.	60. Ry. Team	5. 25.–
—	24.	At Niagara, St. Catharines, and Hamilton.	1.	50. Ry. Team	5. 75.–
—	30.	Off to Toronto all right. —	1.	84. do.	3. 75.–
Sept.	6.	On Burlington Beach, all right.	1.	24. 14. B.	4. 50.–
—	10.	At Toronto met Emerson Bellamy, talked about B. Stone of Stamber, fishing up on Sundays. —	1.	94. Ry. 14. and Ry.	2. 00.–
—	12.	At Toronto at the Police Office on business connected with late Geo. Gray's fishery on Toronto Island. —	1.	90. Ry. 14. and	5. 00.–
—	12.	At B. Heights, the Plains, B. Canal and B. Beach. —	1.	26. B.	4. 40.–
—	19.	Off to Toronto, found all right. —	1	92. do.	2. 60.–
—	23.	At Port Credit, Oakley sick not able to go up River Credit.	1.	30. Ry.	4. 00.–
—	24.	At Streetsville, Hattonville, Church Hill, Meadowville, Stackville, & Springfield,	1.	50. Team	1. 50.– Brakes on team mill.
—	25.	At Port Credit, and Hamilton. —	1.	30. Ry.	6. 00.–
—	26.	At Jarvis to see the Murphys Creek,	1.	90. do.	2. 65.–
Sept.	1.	At Winona, and return. —	1.	30. 14+B.	4. 30.–
—	6.	On B. Beach, found all right. —	1.	30. do.	2. 55.–
—	10.	At Lands Debt, examined the place so as to give evidence in a Chancery suit regarding the fishery there!	1.	12. 14+B.	2. 00.–
—	13.	On B. Heights, the Plains, and B. Beach, Home! —	1.	24. do.	1. 50.–
—	15.	At Dundas, and Cunningsville served a very little Circular! —	1.	34. do.	3. 30.–
—	20.	At Merritton, Pt. Colborne, Ridgeway, Fort Erie, and Pt. Colborne,	2.	14+B. Ry. –	2. 80.–
—	21.	At Pt. Colborne and Hamilton. —		162. Ry.	7. 10.– 1. 75.–
		Totals.	25.	1296. M.	$85. 60 c.–

John Wilkes

Hamilton, Ont.

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1835		in miles.	
September 1	Attended Orig. Court. – in cause	1.	Nominal.
June – 28.	against John Pettit, and others! –	1. 18 miles	1. 50.
July. 9.	At Cat Creek, found all right. –	1. 60. Ag. K.	3. 75.
– – 13.	At Winona, found all right. –	1. 30. Nominal.	2. 25.
– – 16.	Em. Rockingham Canal! all right. –	1. 26. do.	2. 40.
– – 18.	Off to Magnetic; found Mr. Wm. Campbell dead! –	1. 36 and 34 Ag.	2. 00 f.
– – 22.	Off to Port Colborne. Thence to Town Creek, and back to Port Colborne. – – –	1. 29. do. 4 Ag.	1. 00. 5. 25.
– – – 23.	At Mr. Colborne, Ridgeway, Fort Erie, and Niagara. – –	1. 160. Ag. Total.	5. 75.
– – 24.	At Niagara, St. Catharines and Mr. Hilton. – –	4. 11. Nominal.	3. 75.
– – 30.	Off to Toronto all night. – –	11. 34 do.	4. 50.
August 6.	Em. Rockingham Canal, all right	1. 24 Ag.	2. 00.
– – 10.	At Toronto met Commissioners; walk, talked about b. Mouse of Number, fishing up on mudays.	1. 94. Ag. 34 do.	6. 00.
– – 12.	At Toronto, at Mr. Clarke's House – business connected with the C. Grey; fishing on Toronto Island.	1. 90. Ag. 34 do.	4. 40.
– – 15.	At B. Heights. The Plains, B. Creek, and B. Mouse.	1. 24. do.	2. 60.
– – 19.	At Toronto. found all right. – –	1. 32. do.	4. 00.
– – 23.	At Port Credit. Blackey sick not able to go up River Credit. – –	1. 30. Ag.	1. 50.
– – 24.	At Norval, Georgetown, Church hill, Meadowville, Brackville and Springfield	1. 50. Nominal.	6. 00.
– – 25.	At Mr. Credit and Hamilton	1. 30. Ag.	3. 45.
– – 26.	At Jarvis to see the Murphy's Creek. –	1. 90. do.	4. 50.
September 1.	At Winona, and return. –	1. 30. do.	2. 25.
– – 6.	Em. B. Creek, found all right. –	1. 30. do.	2. 00.
– – 10.	At Toronto. Called upon the plaintiff to give evidence in a Chancery suit! – respecting the Jockey there.	1. 12. Nominal.	4. 50.
– – 18.	Em. B. Heights, The Plains and B. Creek – Mouse. –	1. 24. do.	2. 20.
– – 18.	At Cat Creek and Commissioners Creek – some mill Creeks! –	1. 44. do. Total.	2. 25.
– – 20.	At Niagara, St. Catharines, Ridgeway, Port Erie; & St. Colborne. –	2. 5 Ag.	7. 10.
– – 21.	At St. Colborne and Hamilton. –	1. 1 Ag.	1. 75.
	Total	25. 1269	115. 60 f.

John Wilson

Hamilton, C.C.

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Hamilton! Ont:
1st October 1886...

Sir, -

I have the honor to send you herewith; for consideration and approval my Account and Expenditure incurred by me during the active performance of my duties in Elgin, Norfolk and Hamilton Divisions! for the quarter ending 30th September 1886, -

Amounting as per account to, -		$. 35.60 ¢ -
Add! - Voucher. 1.	John W. Kerr. - For Postages.	2.00 - -
do! - 2.	John W. Kerr, - For Stationery.	1.75 - -
do! - 3.	John W. Kerr. - For Telegraphs.	1.25 - -
do! 4.	John W. Kerr, - For Office Rent.	5.00 - -
do! 5.	John W. Kerr. - For Special duty performed by Constable Wm. Hallinan. which I recommend to be paid!	15.00 - -
do. 6 6.	Charles J. Kerr, For Lantern, &c.	4.00 - -
	Total -	$114.60 ¢ -

I have to report that it became necessary for me to travel only 1.269 miles, on active duty during the quarter ending 30th September 1886. -

With due respect. -

I have the Honor to be,
Sir, -
Your Obedient Servant, -
John W. Kerr,
Deputy Sheriff.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Militia,
Ottawa! - Ont.

Hamilton, Oct.

Sir, — 1st October 1886...

I have the honor to have you transmit, for consideration, our approved my Account, and a pecuniary allowance by me during the extra progress of my duties in Sign, Report, our Hamilton Division, for the quarter ending 31st September 1886, —

Disbursing as per account to, — $1.852.60 ¢ —

Dat.! Dowler. 1. John M. Kerr, Ch. Engineer. . . . . 2.00 . . —

— do.! — 2. John M. Kerr, Ch. Draftsman. . . 1.75 . . —

— do.! — 3. John M. Kerr, Ch. Geographer. . . 1.25 . . —

— do.! — 4. John M. Kerr, Ch. Office Clerk. . 5.00 . . —

— do.! — 5. John M. Kerr, Ch. Engineer duty, performed by Lieut. Wm Hutchinson, which I recommend to be paid. . . 15.00 . . —

— do. 6. 6. Salaries of Kerr, Ch. Draftsman, &c. . . 40.00 . . —

Total. $1114.60 ¢ —

I have to report that it becomes necessary for me to have only 1.269 miles, or extra duty during the quarter ending 30th September 1886. —

Which also report. —

I have the honor &c. &c.

Sir, —

Your obedient Servant. —

Sohn Kerr

Chief Engineer.

The Department of Fisheries, Ottawa. &c. &c.

Hamilton — Ont! —
1st October 1856....

Sir —

I have the honor to send you herewith, Bank Mast No: 501,— for the sum of Nineteen dollars....

Will you be pleased to apply this amount for this amount given as Boat bounties to girl fishers in Lake Erie, Ontario! or Huron! viz:

1. Peter Bell, Port Dover in Lake Erie: already received and delivered! — amount is,— — $5.00 —
2. Alfred Elliott, Hamilton, in Lake Erie, already received and delivered! amount, $2.00
3. John Ferris, — do. — do. — — do. — — 1.00
4. Robert Scott, Burlington Canal, in Lake Ontario, already received and has been delivered! amount is. $5.00
5. Messrs Francis and Charlotte Aird, Port Credit in Lake Ontario, already received, and just delivered! amount is:— $5.00
6. Darius Hyatt, Elliott! Co — Boat bounty to girl 150. yards of Herring fish nets in Lake Ontario! fishing on the East Half of Lot No: 12. 1st Concession, Township of Clinton, County of Lincoln.... The amount is.— $6.00
Total,— $19.00

I recommend that you will be pleased to grant this bounty —

I have the honor to be,
Sir —
Your Obedient Servant,
[signature]
Fishery Inspector

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa! — Ont.

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Hamilton, Ont.,
2nd October 1856.

My dear Sir!

Please give herewith Post office Order for £3.9s. — Gulls: payable to you for the balance due you for Grist Mill, furnished by you, and delivered by you as requested to my Son John Hamilton, and placed to me on Thursday, and for Letter Cover of Niagara, on the Lake!.

With you please acknowledge receipt... With kind regards, —

Yours truly, —
John Hamilton —
Miller Niagara.

My James L. Campbell
Merch Com Agent
Niagara! on the Lake

Hamilton! Ont.,
My dear Reid! 2nd October 1856.

Please give herewith Post office Order, payable to you, to pay my Taxes for Grist Mill: 1856, on the Thorp property, and the Ore lot in Gulls: Amount £3.9s.

The enclosure Bill, accounts to me by your sister Niagara, July 28th 1856, shows the transaction! receipt same and return to me! With my Kind regards! believe me, —

Yours truly, —
John Hamilton —

Robert Reid Esq. Thirty Burgess,
Town Collector,
Town of Niagara.
Niagara! —
on the Lake!!! —

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Private!

Hamilton! Ont:—
5th October 1886.—

My dear Sir,

As I have already notified you! I sent in an acct for you of $15. for 4 days special duty - Thus! - - "Being for special services rendered by Constable Wm Williams, in protecting white girl and Chief K. in Lake Ontario, fishing on south Ontario:- during "Close season" in November last, as arranged and agreed to by Comr Kew and me for period ending 31st day of December 1886! amounting to $15.00"—

. It was returned to me on yesterday! with the following remarks:

"Thus:- "Pay the Constable to include this amount in his own account - as we not to swell your expenses."—

Write you please govern yourself accordingly! - Poor Jennett, is dead

and buried! Jack was always a very decent fellow! - I knew him for nearly 22 years - as a reliable fisherman -

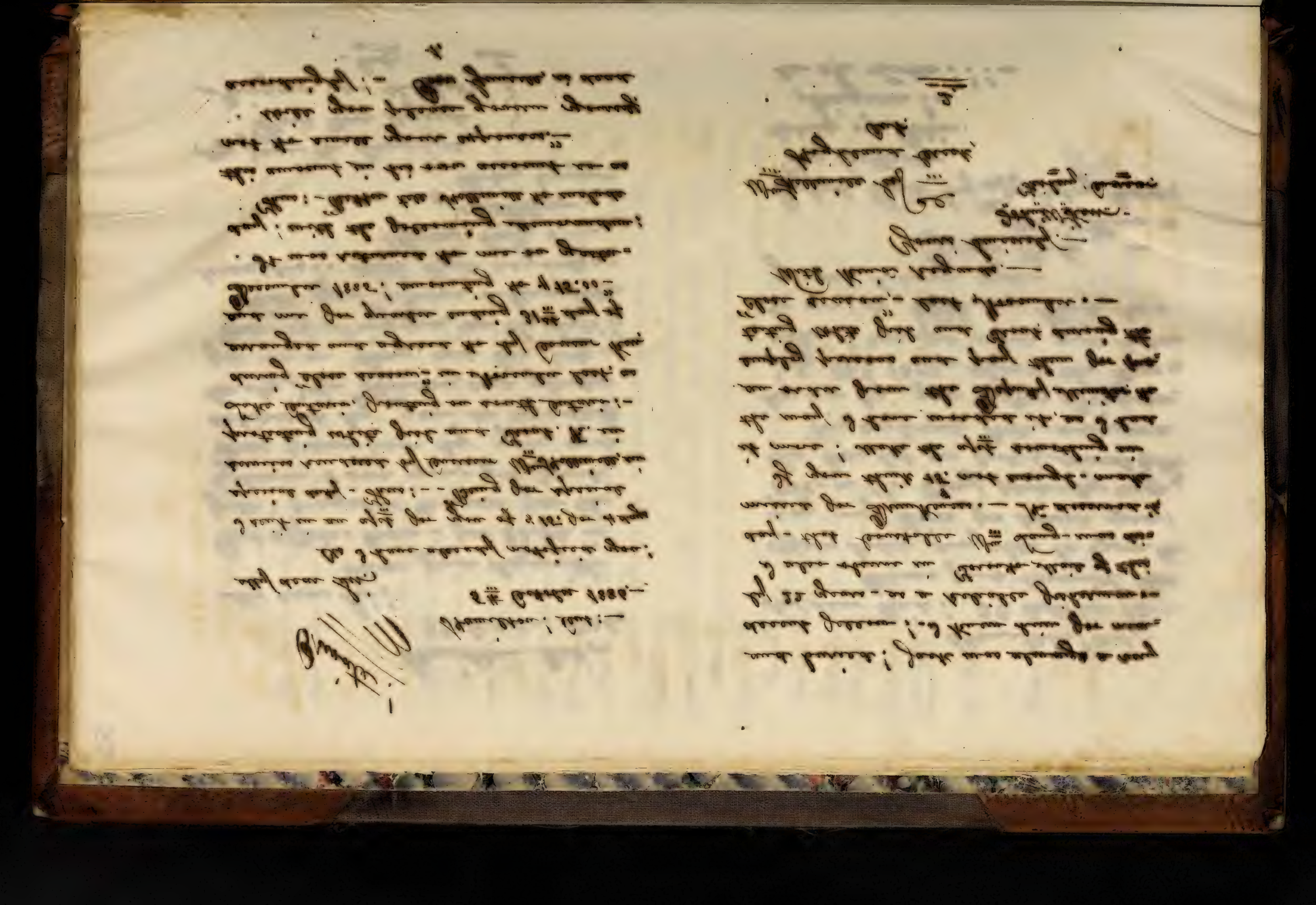
I also observe in Toronto Mail of this day - that Constable Wm Long - was dismissed for Drunkenness. — He deserved it.

If you think $15. not enough - make it more! Make the acct something in the way! I have worded it, as I had an order from the Deputy Minister to employ persons and pay them for protecting white girl and Chief during the "Close season" - last November. —

With kind regards. —

Yours truly —
John Wilson —
Fishery Overseer.

Wm Williams Esq
Highland Creek,
Ont.



Hamilton, Ont:-
5. October 1886....

Sir,-

In answer to your letter of 1st inst., with reference to the complaint made by Mr. Ferguson M.P., Q.- for Welland; that the Buffalo people deposit rubbish opposite Fort Erie, on the Canadian side of the Niagara River, to the detriment of our fisheries; &c.. &c.. &c...

I have to report that Mr. Ferguson, appears to be correct in his complaint....

On yesterday I proceeded to the Niagara River fronting on the City of Buffalo, and I ascertained from two reliable persons,- viz: Captain Milner, of the Ferry Boat Westbourne; that runs between Buffalo and Fort Erie; that one day during last week, he saw a Tug with two Barges, dump objectionable stuff from Barges, out of the Barges in to the Niagara River, on the Canadian side within a stone throw of the shore, in front of the old mill house at Fort Erie. The Tug and Barges were controlled by Buffalo men....

Mrs. Mr. Thomas B. Cornell, resident in Fort Erie, near the old mill house, and who works in Buffalo, told me that about a fortnight ago, at night a Tug with a Barge lumped a quantity of Sawdust in to the Niagara River about the same place....

Mr. Cornell was absent from home when this happened, but his wife reported the matter to him on his return home....

Mr. Cornell's family use the Niagara River water; hence it should not be polluted.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

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Hon. -

Hamilton, Sept:-

8. October 1866.---

We answer to your letter of the 4th instt. with reference to the complaint made by the Chiquamo Mk. C. for instance: that the Chiquamo people request Hullich represent that they are the boundary side of the Chiquamo Lands & the determinant of our Qualities. &c. &c.

I have to report that the Chiquamo. are prone to be annoyed in his complaint.--

In questioning I proceeded to the Chiquamo Lands pointing on the Map of Supple, and ascertained from the individuals present, that the main allusion of the Chief Mat Mathewson; that these between Supple and Mat Lee; that we also claiming land north to come to Chief with the Chiquamo claim) objectionable stuff from Chiquamo-out of the Chiquamo is that the Chiquamo Lands, on the boundary side neither a other than of the above in front of the side main road at Mat Lee. The Chief and Chiquamo contended for Supple.---

Chief & all Chiquamo Chiefs, considered a Mat Lee, were the old settled Lands, and the north in Supple, that we claim & Jack might say, at night & Chief with a Chiquamo claimer & questioning of Chiquamo in to the Chiquamo Lands about the same place.---

We should see about your land with the Chiquamo but his only Chiquamo the matter to him on his return home.---

All Chiefs & family are the Chiquamo Ch: are sister; hence it should not be possible

The Chief & family allegiance
Chiquamo of Chiefs
Chiquamo Sept.

A.

I may here repeat that the water used by the people of the City of Buffalo is pumped from the Niagara River in to a Reservoir off Niagara street. -- The Pipe leading from the Pumping House out in the river to a Crib situated about 300 yards from the American shore in pure water. ---

I may here repeat, that by orders from the Mayor and Municipal authorities of the City of Buffalo, as I was informed. -- The stuff that pollutes the water is never dumped from the Barges in to the Niagara River, above the water works Crib, lest it would be carried down, perhaps in to the Crib; and pollute the water, rendering it unfit for domestic use and drinking purposes. -- Hence those people who are continually dumping this rubbish complained of by Dr Ferguson M.P., for Welland! must be under the Municipal Authorities of Buffalo.

I may further repeat, that recently a large Trunk Sewer, has been built, tunnelled and completed under the City of Buffalo, under the Dam here and under the Erie Canal. -- This Trunk Sewer, is very large, capable of admitting a Team and a load of hay. -- Which runs all under the City of Buffalo, and the outlet therefrom; I observed is about 60 yards, up the Niagara River, from Ferry landing at Buffalo, and starting place for Fort Erie. ---

All the minor sewers of the City of Buffalo, run in to this Trunk Sewer, and the Trunk sewer, from its outlet deposits every thing in Niagara River, on the Buffalo side of the River, close to the River bank of the Erie Canal. -- I will not permit you to be land owners, facts are facts.

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The Tug and Barges; already referred to are daily employed carrying excrement from Water Closets and Privies of the City of Buffalo: which they dump in to the Niagara River; sometimes below the International Railway Bridge at Victoria.—

But people will say! it will neither harm nor kill fish! although as Dr Ferguson, complains it is to the detriment of C. A. Harris licensed fishery at Fort Erie on the Canadian side of the Niagara River; by polluting the water and sometimes floating in the eddies of Harris's staining ground.—

The Niagara River runs very rapid in front of Fort Erie and Buffalo, exceeding 6 miles an hour! with eddies in many parts of the River that run back up stream in several places for several yards: and in which fish are frequently caught, by hauling the seine up stream, instead of hauling down stream: which is the usual way.

I have talked this matter over with Messrs Harris and Everitt, licensed fishermen at Fort Erie, and Victoria; some time ago! Harris is of the opinion that the dumping of the stuff into the Niagara River, injures the fisheries! Everitts opinion is, it has never harmed him! because of the rapid rate at which — — the water in the river runs.

There is a space sufficient in the River, below the Water Works crib, without coming at all on the Canadian side of the River to dump the stuff.

My own opinion is that the Municipal Authorities of Buffalo, only object to dumping the stuff in the River above the Water Works crib: so that the water supply furnished to the Citizens of B. shall not be polluted.— About 200 yards below the Water Works crib, down the River The Trunk Sewer, from its Outlet discharges deposits everything, filth

The City was large; extremely populous & was
chiefly supplied running streams from Water Works
and springs of the City of Bagdad: which they conv
ey to the Antique Lines; sometimes below the Water
natural Channel Bridge at Tadmor.—

But people will say! it will neither have
nor Tide Just! although so the Euphrates com=
plains it is to the detriment of S. a. Arrows is:
answer Quickly at that Sir as the Immersion
side of the Antique Lines; by publishing the water
and sometimes flowing in the Tables of Arrows is.
Running ground.—

The Antique Lines have very Report in Great
of that Sir and Bagdad, proceeding & motion as
Arrow! with Tables in many Parts of the Lines
that Sir Hart up Arrows in Arrows places Gr
Arrows grounds: but in actual Fact are Imperfectly
sought, by Pushing the Sands up Arrows; instead
of Pushing down Arrows: which is the reason why
Arrows Water the matter was with Alfa
Arrow and Jewish Arrows Gardens at that Sir,
and Tadmor; some time ago! Arrows is of the
opinion that the Pushing of the Stuff into the
Antique Lines, injures the Gardens! Jewish opinion
is, it has never Arrived Sir! because of the Depri
vate the actual —— the water in the Lines Arrow.

There is Arrow sufficient in the Lines, below
the Water Mark Tail, without running at all to
the Immersion side of the Lines to Pump the Stuff.

My opinion is that the Antique Lattitude of
Bagdad, only Right to Pumping the Stuff in
the Lines above the Water Mark Tail: so that the
water supply Immediate to the Antique Lines not
be prevented.— About 300 yards below the
Water Mark Tail, above the Lines The Stuff
Arrow, from its Bottle depends everything. Still

of all kinds in Niagara River; on the American side of the River: and excepting that dumped from the Ranges. — I trust that the gift from the Trust Fund may by any possibility great serve the River to the boundary shore. —

I would recommend you to communicate with the Mayor of Buffalo, when I expect to hear his reply will be found satisfactory to you and the Department. —

With much respect. — Respectfully submitted,
I have the honor to be,
Sir. —
Your obedient Servant. —
J. Hillyard —
Fishery Overseer.

Memo: for the Department! —
Will you be pleased to give this
duplicate, for 1886, and belong for quarter ending 30th day of September 1886. —
Hamilton, 1st October 1886. —
J. Hillyard
Fishery Overseer.

Memo: for the Department. —
Will you be pleased to give this duplicate for 1886. 6a Disbursements
as O.C. for 1st July to 30th Sept. 1886. —
Hamilton, 6th Oct. 1886. —
J. Hillyard
Fishery Overseer.

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Over painted
fishing license!—

Hamilton Ont.
8. October 1886.

Mr Dennis Ryckman.—
St Catharines.—

Beamsville. Oct. 8.

Marked on the
6. October 1886.

Sir and Brother Orange.—

Will you be pleased to send me an receipt, the name of James Jones Sons; who fished up and caught fish in Lake Ontario on 28th September last, some time on Friday! Also again on Monday the 5th instant, in contravention of the fishing act.— I have written and obtained James Joyce and Sons to appear before James Lobb Esq. Police Magistrate at Hamilton on next Tuesday, at 10. o'clock a.m. thereby incurring expenses of witnesses and summonses.— You see James Joyce on the subject... Children must obey authority. Quitting fish grounds in Lake Ontario.— Yours fraternally,
W. D. Allen Esq.
F. E. Brown.
J. Whitehead — Sec.

Yours Masterly!—
Chas. Adams...
Jas. Joyce & Sons
Hamilton Ont.
Mr Chas. J. Adams
Hamilton Ont.
6. October 1886

Hamilton, Ont.
8. October 1866...

My dear Sir,

You were complained of to me at Brantford on yesterday for that you and your team, while in Little Britain, at Brantford, on a sabbath the 6th instant, and on sunday the 21st day of September last, did go out on said Sabbath and pick up and take a quantity of pickets; and did have the same at Brantford, and went on to drive them thence as usual, as if it was a week day, in violation of the Pickering Act"...

I am kept on attention but to give you, and put the law in force, because that you were guilty of a similar offence, when there was no necessity for it; see sub section 10. of section 13 of the Pickering Act. Then again persons have lodged complaint against the gentlemen at Brantford for polluting the waters of Little Britain, by putting pigs and filth into it, knowing to be true....

You are the standard of your team will have to appear before the Magistrate at Hamilton on Tuesday, the 16th instant, at 10 o'clock, a.m., to answer said complaint...

I accept this course because I don't wish to keep you with too much costs and expenses...

Believe me: Your truly,
J. L. Wilkins
Pickering Commr.

To James Joyce
Pickerer,
Brantford, Ont.

Memo: for J. O. Bennet Esqre
Indian Department,
Ottawa! Ont.

I am under many obligations to you for your kind attention to me!— and I sincerely thank you for the same.— I am!— Sir,— Your respectfully.— John W. Kerr—
P. O.—

Hamilton, Ont.
11. Oct: 1886.

J. Wesley Cleary Esqre
Grand Not Indian.
Low Banks— P. O.—

Dated on the 15. Oct. 1886.— Hollow Sto.

Dear Sir!— Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.
12. October 1886.—

My dear Sir;

I send you two subpoenas Keep the original and serve James L. Jacobs— with the copy.—

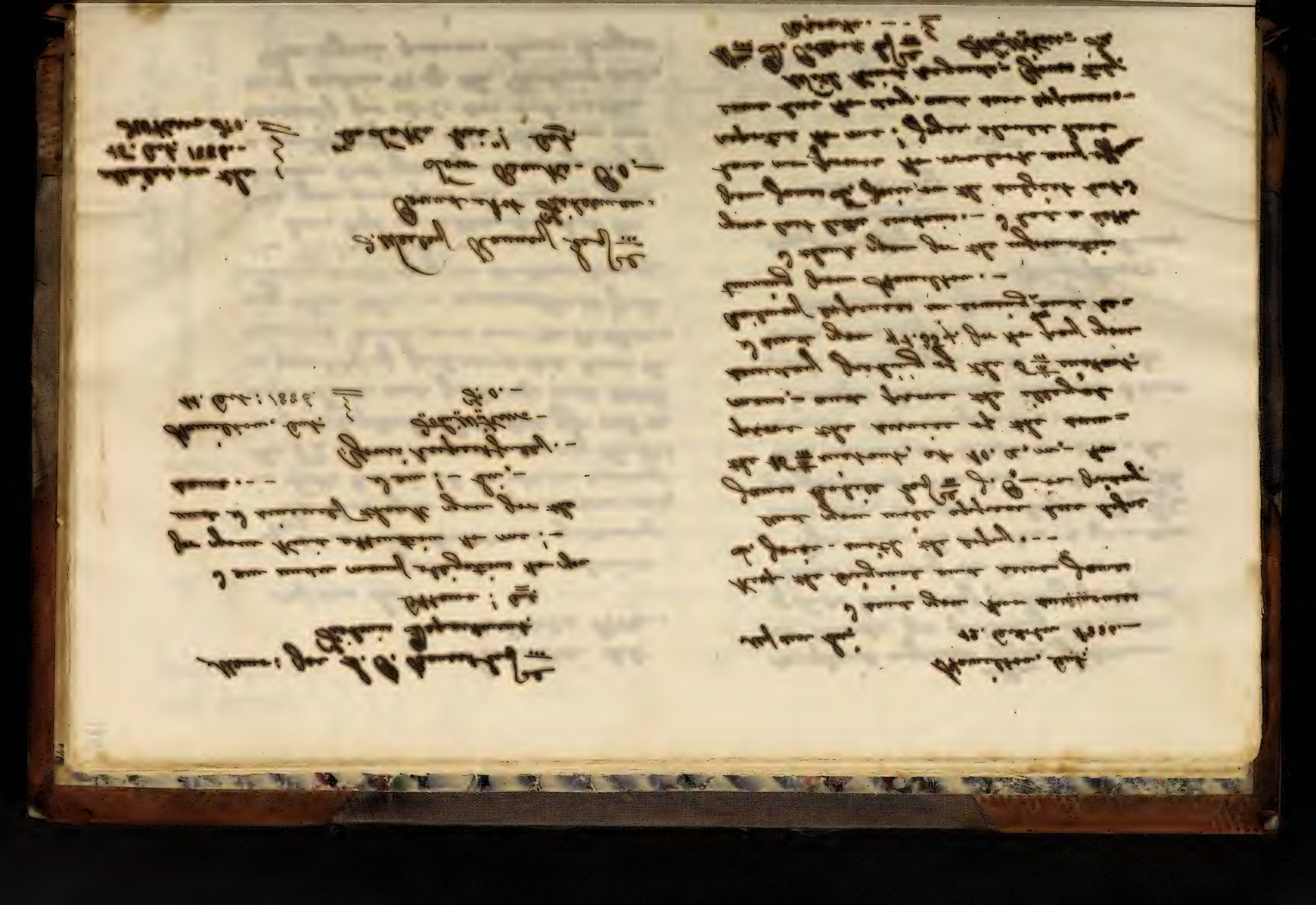
And you will appear here before James Mahlie Esqre J. P.— on Friday the 15th instant, at 10. a. m.— to prove the service of the summons,— and prove the illegal sunday fishing of the 5th instant.

I send you $1.25 p. for to pay your railway expenses in coming and returning from Hamilton.—

I thank you for the information your last letter contains.— I have a letter from James L. Jacobs on the subject but I have no power to conclude any offer respecting to me! I gave Jacobs some time to say, and some expenses.—

With kind regards.— Yours truly.
Wm D. Patton Esqre
Brantford.— — Ont.

John W. Kerr Sto.



Hamilton: Ont.—

Sir,— 12. October 1880.—

With reference to Boat licenses issued by you to the Fishermen of the Hamilton Division of Lake Ontario! for fishing for and catching Ciscos and Herring.—

I have to report, and I wish to call your attention to the fact, that there has been no fixed sized mesh yet established by the Department, for catching Ciscos and Herring.—

There is a variety of sizes of Gill nets in use at this present time for catching these fish at the Town of Niagara, Port Dalhousie, Grimsby, Vineona, Port Credit, The Humber and Toronto Island!—

Burlington Beach, and Brouts, Lake Ontario! down as low in size, in several instances as 1 3/8" inch mesh extension measure! which is too diminutive in size for that kind of fish of the Cisco and Herring class.

I have succeeded in establishing the Gill nets in these places Except at Burlington Beach and Brouts, at fixed sizes of 3 1/2", 3", 2 3/4" and 2 1/2" inch mesh extension measure! whilst at Burlington Beach and Brouts, where Ciscos and Herring fishing is most extensively carried on! the present size of the Gill nets are under the sizes above given! they are even as small as 1 3/8" inch mesh extension measure.— The consequence is, a small inferior size class of Herring and Cisco are caught which reflects unfavorably on our Herring and Cisco fisheries! especially when the large class of Herring and Ciscos are in the public market along side of the smaller fish, under this denomination.—

Enclosed are two specimens of the sizes of Gill nets, being at present fished in Lake Ontario, at Vineona.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa! Ont.— 1.

Honolulu, Oahu,

12 March 1886.

Sir:-

With reference to that license issued by you to the Chairman of the Honolulu Board of Health Lotteries, for selling for our Catholic Housing.

I have to report our wish to call your attention to the fact that the law on liquor sales must yet established by the Department for selling liquor our Housing.

There is a monopoly of liquor sales at this present time for selling the grid at the time of lotteries, that Chairman, Himself, Honors, that Board. The Honolulu our Church Chairman!

Including the Board, our Church, Board Lotteries, alone as law in force, in General instances as 1/8 said must of Hawaiian measure. Which is the minimum in force for illustrated grid of the liquor our Housing alone.

I have concerned in establishing the grid sales these places except at including the Board our Church at liquor sales of 1/8 - 3 - 2 1/2 our 2 1/2 said must extension measure. Which at including the Board our Church where liquor our Housing selling is most extensively carried on. The present sale of the grid sales are under the sales alone price. They are even as made as 1/8 said must extension measure. The consequence is a small injurious sale also of Housing our liquor enough which reflects unfavorably on our Housing our liquor selling. Especially when the sale also of liquor our liquor are in the public market along side of the smaller grid, under the denomination.

Believed are two questions of the sale of grid sales selling at present grid in Board Lotteries, at liquor.

The Respectfully submitted,

Superintendent of Lotteries,

Honolulu, Oahu.

A.

I consider that no Gill nets under 2½ inch mesh, should be henceforth permitted to be fished for Trout and Herring; in the Hamilton Division; and I respectfully recommend that you will be pleased to issue your Order, in Circular-form accordingly.—

There is a considerable quantity of these small mesh gill nets at present being fished under 2½ inch mesh, extension measure!... These small mesh gill nets will be all used up, by next spring: I beg to report the same for your information.—

My object in asking for the change is that a larger class of Trout and Herring shall be caught.—

I don't wish the change to take place until all the smaller size mesh gill nets now in use shall be all worn out.—

Respectfully submitted!—and I recommend the same for your consideration, approval and adoption.—

I have the Honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,—
J. H. Williams—
Fishery Overseer.

Hamilton, Ont.,
19th Oct. 1876.—

Sir,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in which you request me to report upon the advisability of the change in the fishing regulations, which I have recommended in my letter of the 9th inst.

In reply I beg to state that I see no objection to the proposed change, and I think it will be very advantageous to the fishery interests in this Division.

I have the honor to be,
Your Obedient Servant,
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[illegible]

Hamilton, Ont:-
14th October 1886.

Sir,-

I have the honor to apply to you for Boat licenses for the undermentioned fishermen, for year ending 31st of December next, 1886.-

"For the fish Mining fish nets in that portion of the public waters of Lake Ontario, lying in front of the County of Halton". And I recommend that you will be pleased to grant the same; as follows:-

1. Thomas Joyce, Oronto, Licence to fish 2, Boats, containing 4,000, yards of Mining fish Nets:-
The amount is to be, $10.00

2. Richard Joyce, do, Licence to fish 2, Boats, containing 4,000, yards of Mining fish Nets.-
The amount is to be, $10.00

3. James Joyce, do, Licence to fish 2, Boats, containing 4,000, yards of Mining fish Nets.-
The amount is to be, $10.00

4. William Boyle, and son, 1 Boat, Licence to fish 4,000, yards of Mining fish nets, with 2 Boats.-
The amount is to be, $10.00

5. James Jackson, and boy, 1 Boat, Licence to fish 2, Boats, containing 4,000, yards of Mining fish nets.
The amount is to be:- $10.00

6. Robert Joyce, Oronto, Licence to fish 2 Boats, containing 4,000, yards of Mining fish nets.-
The amount is to be, $10.00

7. Benjamin Darlene, Oronto, Licence to fish one Boat, containing 4,000, yards of Mining fish nets.
The amount is to be, $5.00

8. James Pickard, Oronto, Licence to fish 2, Boats, containing 4,000, yards of Mining fish nets.
The amount is to be, $10.00

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa.- Ont.

1.

Dear Sir,

Hamilton, Oct. 19th 1886.

I have the honor to apply to you for Boat licenses for the assessment paidsmen, for year ending 31st of December next, 1886.

The to paid fishing file are in that portion of the public works of Lake Ontario, lying in front of the township of Stoney Creek. Here I enumerate the year with the number of the boat the name: as follows:

1. Thomas Joyce, Hamilton; licensed to pull 2 Boats, containing 6,000 yards of fishing file which:

The amount is to be, $10.00

2. William Joyce, do, licensed to pull 2 Boats, containing 6,000 yards of fishing file which.

The amount is to be, $10.00

3. James Joyce, do, licensed to pull 2 Boats, containing 6,000 yards of fishing file which.

The amount is to be, $10.00

4. William McLaughlin, same do; Boats, licensed to pull 6,000 yards of fishing file each. – with 2 Boats.

The amount is to be, $10.00

5. James Jackson, same do; Boats, licensed to pull 2 Boats, containing 6,000 yards of fishing file each.

The amount is to be:– $10.00

6. Robert Joyce, Boats, licensed to pull 2 Boats, containing 6,000 yards of fishing file each.

The amount is to be, $10.00

7. Benjamin Chalmers, Boats, licensed to pull 2 Boats, containing 6,000 yards of fishing file each.

The amount is to be, $10.00

8. Adam Buttner, Boats, licensed to pull 2 Boats, containing 6,000 yards of fishing file each.

The amount is to be, $10.00

The Superintendent
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa.

Yours &c.

To William Joyce, Sheriff, Lines to gaol one book, containing 4,000 yards of Sewing fine cotton. —
The amount is to be $5.00 ✓

To John Hall, Sheriff, Lines to gaol two books, containing 4,000 yards of Sewing fine cotton. —
The amount is to be, . . $5.00 ✓

In submitting this application for your consideration, I have to report that the great sea commotion of the 5th and 6th of April last in Lake Huron, at Owen's, did inflict much damage, loss, and injury to the Lime Burners there. —

Eg. Shanties, out of 30, in number, were swept away off the beach there, by the violence of the sea, and are now being replaced at a cost of about $20, delivered, each! — Besides 175 Cords, for burning with, at 9s. each, were also destroyed and carried off, that transaction, to the extent of $200, was a complete loss, and have never heard of any more since that damaging storm. —

The Beach on which Shanties are built were placed, were also nearly swept away, by the force of the waves in the 12 miles Creek; between which and Lake Huron, the beach happened to be situated. . . . The Light House at Owen's Harbour, and a quantity of the Lime and Harbour were carried away, and the portion of the beach, and the Harbour left is a complete wreck. . . .

In behalf of the Owen's Gentlemen, who are doing great service to the general public, of Ontario, Viz. in providing the people with good wholesome and cheap Sewing and Lime; every fall, winter and spring, I recommend that the Harbour be repaired and the Light be placed there again for the guide and benefit the Gentlemen. . . . Respectfully Submitted:

Gentlemen, —

Your Obedt. Servant,

Wilson Cowan.

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[illegible]

[illegible]

Hamilton, Ont.—
19. October 1881.—

Sir,—

I have the honor to send you herewith copy of Mr. [illegible] your letter ....

Also you be pleased to apply the amount as hereinafter given, for guiding fish ways in the Grand, during the current year, and I am, sir, that you will be pleased to grant the same, as follows:

1. Thomas Wyatt, Lowell: a bounty for guiding 100 yards of drift fish ways in the public waters of the Grand, fronting on the township of Lowell— The amount hereto is .... $ 1.00 ×
2. Orpheus Wisner, do. do. do. do! .. 1.00 ×
3. Joseph Alonzo Orin, Milton; a bounty for guiding 100 yards of drift fish ways in the public waters of the Grand fronting on the township of Milton— The amount is .... 1.00 ×
4. William Brown, do. do. do. do. .. 1.00 ×
5. Hugh & Michael Lynn, and Joseph Sightlemyer, do. do. 100 yards, do. do! .. 1.00 ×
6. James H. Bishop, do. 100 yards, do. do. .. 1.00 ×
7. George L. Bishop, do. 200 yards, do. do. .. 1.00 ×
8. William Lynn, do. do. 200 yards, do. do. .. 1.00 ×

Respectfully submitted!— Total .. $ 8.00

I have the honor to be,
Sir,—
Your obedient servant,—
[illegible]
Fish Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

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Attested on the [illegible] day of [illegible] 1826.
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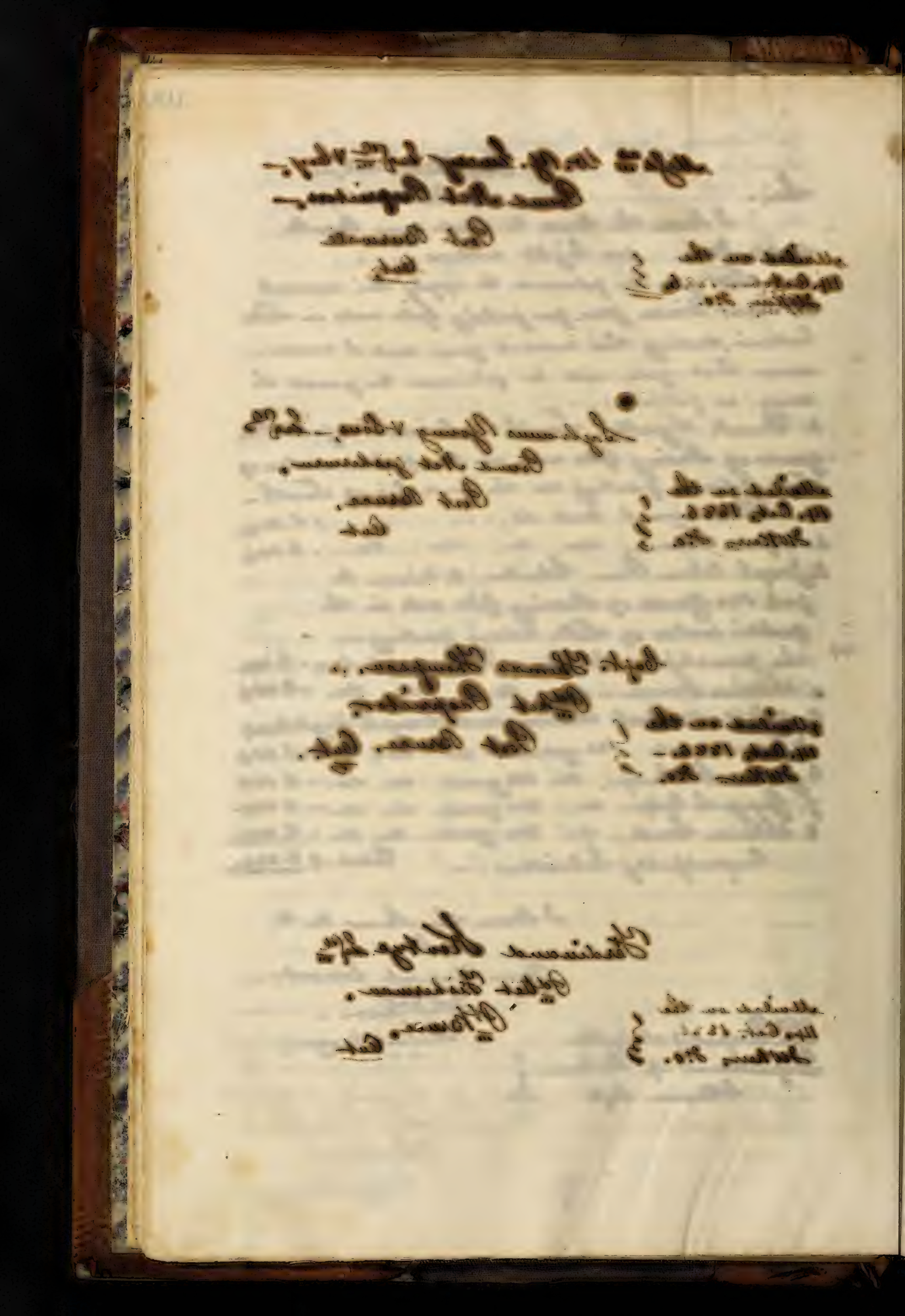

Mr. Frank Jackson.—
Round Not Proprietor.
Port Burwell,
Ont.

Mailed on the
15. Oct. 1886.—
Wilkes P.O.

Geo. A. Carson Esq.
Round Not Proprietor.—
Port Burwell,
Ont.

Mailed on the
15. Oct. 1886.—
Wilkes P.O.

John Price Esq.
Round Not Proprietor.
Port Stanley.— Ont.

Mailed on the
15. Oct. 1886.—
Wilkes P.O.

Dan. Lang Esq.
Round Not Proprietor.—
Eagle: Post office.—
Ont.

Mailed on the
15. Oct. 1886.—
Wilkes P.O.

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Captain John Lellier Jun.
Pound Net Carpenter.
Port Stanley — Ont.

Mailed on the
15. Oct. 1886.
Dollars Sent

Mess.rs Joseph Page,
and
Jonas Baldwin! —
Pound Net Fishermen! —
Tyrconnell. — P. Office.

Mailed on the
15. Oct. 1886.
Dollars Sent

New Glasgow! Ont.

D. Patterson Esq.r
Pound Net Fisherman. —
Aldborough Post Office.
Ont.

Mailed on the
15. Oct. 1886.
Dollars Sent

William Schmick Esq.r
Pound Net Carpenter! —
Tyrconnell. P. Office.

Mailed on the
15. Oct. 1886. —
Dollars Sent.

Washington Irving Esq.
Consulat Général
Madrid

Madrid on the
15. Oct. 1861.
Sir Sir &c.

Washington Irving Esq.
Consulat Général
Madrid

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Sir Sir &c.

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Washington Irving Esq.
Consulat Général
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Sir Sir &c.

Washington Irving Esq.
Consulat Général
Madrid

Madrid on the
15. Oct. 1861.
Sir Sir &c.

Wm. Woolcane Esqre
Fishermen —
Port Credit. Ont.

Mailed on the
15. Oct. 1886.
Dittum. do. —

Charles Struss Esqre
The Sparker Hotel —
Mimico. P. Office
Ont.

Put up !! —

The Geder Street !—
Curtis. P. Office.
Ont.

Mailed on the
15. Oct. 1886. —
Dittum do.

Put up !! —

B. Macnamee Esqre
Hotel Keeper.
Port Colborne —
Ont

Mailed on the
15. Oct. 1886. —
Dittum do.

Allemand en ch.
15. Oct. 1886.
Matthew &c.

Ch. Allemand Esq.
Stockholm.
Dear Sir, Yours

Allemand Wines Esq.
Ch. Allemand Hotel.
Stockholm. Offices
Dear

Dear Sir,

Ch. Hotel Allemand.
Hotel. Offices.
Dear

Allemand en ch.
15. Oct. 1886. —
Matthew &c.

Dear Sir !!—

A. Allemand Esq.
Hotel Keeper.
Dear Sir,—

Allemand en ch.
15. Oct. 1886.—
Matthew &c.

Hamilton, Ont.
18. October 1866.

Dear Sir,

Yours of the 18th instant received! the proper course for you is, get a sketch made of the land, and the streams running into it, and also running out of it, — give the bearings, description, number of the lot or lots; and the township and the Township in which the same is situated! get Mr. Charles L. Crane, of Hamilton, to make the plan or sketch for you with description of the same. Then make a written application to Joh. Tilton Esq. Deputy Minister of Fisheries, Ottawa, to lease the same lot apart or land for the artificial or artificial propagation of Speckled Trout! see section 18 of the Fisheries Act, & send you this thing by mail, and when all is completed let me have the plan, description and your application and I will then pay the matter myself before the Deputy Minister, and I will recommend the same to be granted...

As regards the Nothing for Speckled Trout, such a thing is not permitted in the Province of Ontario, please read section 2. of the Fisheries Act, and you will learn that speckled Trout can only be taught by angling! it is marketable thus $ ... I also send you a public notice issued by Joh. Tilton Esq. Deputy Minister of Fisheries, giving the close season for speckled Trout. —

You will have to give for nothing speckled Trout, in your percentage! under section 18 of the Fisheries Act, thus £0 ....

With respect to permits, head.

Hamilton, Ont.
18. October 1886.—

Sir,—

I have the honor to apply to you for Crate licenses for the undermentioned persons for to fish in the public waters of Lake Ontario, fronting on the Township of Clinton, during the current year of 1886,— and I recommend that you will be pleased to grant the same.—

1. John St. Clair, Clinton, License to fish 100 yards of Herring fish nets.— 1 Crate.
The amount is to be, $1.00 cy.
2. John H. Lewis, Clinton, License to fish 200 yards of Herring fish nets.— 1 Crate.
The amount is to be, $1.00 cy.
3. Joseph Clair, Clinton — License to fish 100 yards of Herring fish nets.— 1 Crate.
The amount is to be.— $1.00 cy.
4. Philip Clapper, Clinton; License to fish 100 yards of Herring fish nets.— 1 Crate.
The amount is to be,— $1.00 cy.
5. David Ryan, Clinton, License to fish 100 yards of Herring gill nets,— 1 Crate.
The amount is to be,--- $1.00 cy.

Respectfully Submitted.—

D. Wilson —
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

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[illegible] 1880.

I have the honor to apply for your [illegible] [illegible] for the [illegible] [illegible] in the public notice of [illegible] [illegible] in the [illegible] of [illegible] during the [illegible] year of 1880. and I recommend that you make the payment to [illegible] the [illegible].

[illegible]

1. [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Printed Close Season
Notice for Trout and
White fish !!

Mr William Stand.
Fisherman.—
Wiarton,—
Ont

Mailed on the
17. Oct. 1886.—
J.W. Kerr P.O.

Post up!—

John Redhead Esq
Boat Builder,
Niagara
"On the Lake!"
Ont

Mailed on the
17. Oct. 1886.
J.W. Kerr P.O.

Printed Notice!—

Mr John Wadsworth,
Queenston!
Ont.

Mailed on the
17. Oct. 1886.—
J.W. Kerr P.O.

Mrs Jane Elliott,
Niagara!—
"On the Lake"!—

Mailed on the
16. Oct. 1886.—
J.W. Kerr P.O.

Minuted before dinner
Notice for Street and
Water Joint !!.

Mr. Williams & Jones.
Chairman.—
Minutes.—
Cont

Assistant on the
17. Oct. 1886.—
Questions &c.

Cont. infra !—

Mr. Chairman & Gent
Board Members
being now
In the chair !!

Cont

Assistant on the
17. Oct. 1886.
Questions &c.

Minuted Notice !—

Mr. Joint Committee.
Chairman !
Cont.

Assistant on the
17. Oct. 1886.—
Questions &c.

Mr. Jones & Williams
Chairman !—
In the chair !!—

Assistant on the
17. Oct. 1886.—
Questions &c.

Mailed on the
17. Oct. 1886.
J. W. Kerr P.O.

Isaac Durham Esqre
Grimsby.
Ont.

Mailed on the
17. Oct. 1886.
J. W. Kerr P.O.

Patrick Hand Esqre
Fisherman,
Winona.
Ont.

Mailed on the
16. Oct. 1886.
J. W. Kerr P.O.

Mr John Hand.
Fisherman,
Grimsby. Ont.

Port up!

Mailed on the
16. Oct. 1886.
J. W. Kerr P.O.

John Sutton Esqre
Niagara.
On the Lake

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Copy.—

Millgrove, Flamboro.
Oct. 12th 1886.—

Mr. Kerr.—

I have been in the City a good many times but could not see you.—And now I thought I would write to you to see if you would give me a permit to catch a few Trout in my own Creek, to put in my pond, the neighbours say! "catch all you want to put in your ponds, there would be no harm to do so" because I cant get any from Ottawa, until next May.— I have four Ponds to be supplied, I want 5.000, for the other three ponds.—

I have been to a Big expense and would like to have one in operation this fall.—

Please send me a permit by return of mail, if you can for the water will be too deep, so that I cant catch any.—

Please do and oblige Yours. &c.

"Signed"
Shipman Cummins.—
Millgrove.—

Hamilton, Ont.
16. Oct. 1886.—

Sir.

I submit and recommend that you will be pleased to grant the above application: as Mr Shipman Cummins is a man who will not abuse the privilege he asks for!!

Respectfully Submitted.—

John Kerr
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa, Ont.

Copy.

Wellington. Strathfieldsaye.

My Dear — Feb. 12th 1826.

I have been in the City a great many times but could not see you. — But now I think it would suit to you to see if you would give me a passport to total a few Cloth in my own Breast, to put in my pocket, the neighbours say: "Total all you want to put in your pocket, then would be no harm to do so:" because I cant get any from Hymer, such cant they. — I have you Cloth to be supplied, I want 5.000, for the other this week. — I have been to a Big supplier and would like to have one in exchange this week. — Please have me a passport by return of post. If you can for the matter with be her safe, so that I cant total any. — Please do not oblige Yours &c.

"Copy"

Wellington Burnside. —

Wellington. —

Burnside. Esq.

Sir. Feb. 16. 1826. —

I hereby not remember that you wish to please to grant the above application: as the Wellington Burnside is a man who will not allow the privilege to with go !!

Respectfully Submitted. —

Wellington

The Deputy Minister
Department of Finance.
Ottawa. Ont.

Copy.—

11. Building and Loan Chambers.—
Toronto, 12. October 1886.

John W. Kerr Esq.
Fishery Inspector,
Hamilton.—

Dear Sir.—

Will you kindly furnish us a copy of the Licence granted to Mr. John Boulton, Fisherman of Niagara in 1880; and let us know the cost of such copy that we may transmit the amount thereof to you.—

If this copy can only be got at Ottawa, be kind enough to let us know to whom to apply and much oblige.—

Yours truly.—
Ellwood and Jordan.

Hamilton, Ont.
16. Oct. 1886.—

Sir,

Please find above the copy of a letter I received from Messrs. Ellwood and Jordan.—

I will answer this letter by advising them to apply to you.—

Respectfully Submitted.—
John Kerr
Fishery Inspector.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa! — Ont.

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Hamilton, Ont.,
17. October 1886.

My dear Mr. Henry,—

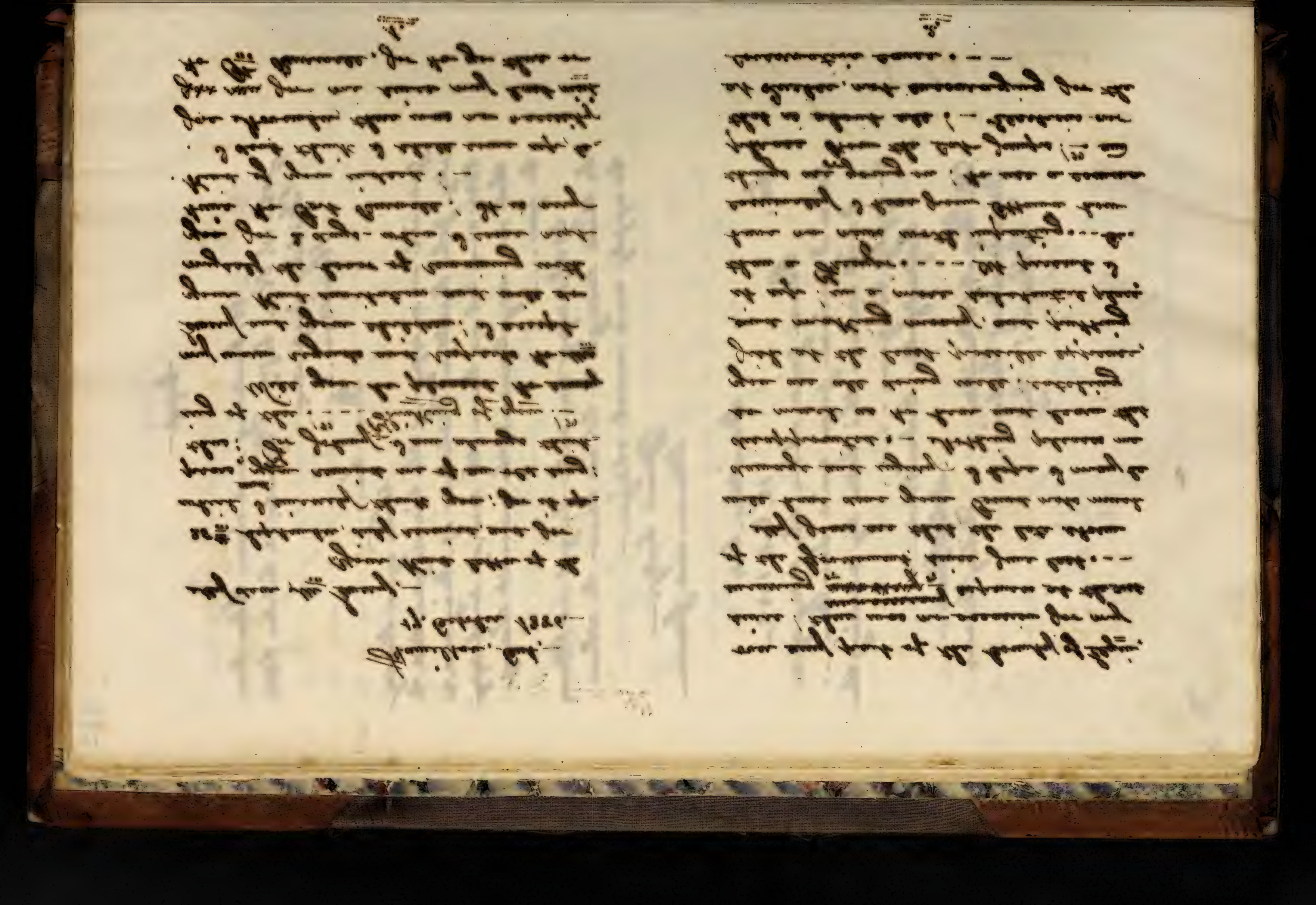
Your Kind letter of the 28th September, duly received, and for which I sincerely thank you; for it appears you remind me of an old song! thus: "For Johnny I am always thinking of thee!" — "Thinking of you!"

Will you be pleased to convey my warm regards and respects to Mrs. Henry and your children! I accept your Kind invitation and will avail myself the honor of remaining with you for 2 days when I come next time to Port Dennis! It is very Kind of you indeed! —

I don't think I shall come up in June November, there was no necessity for my coming up this time and last visit to Port Dennis, for to go there or

over any part of the beauty of Algoma, since! there was no occasion for my incurring ~~unnecessary~~ expense at the cost of the Government since June last. — —

My fears are that the late storm will have done your Crops quite much damage and injury. I hope I may be disappointed. — Nothing pleases me so much as to hear and learn that you are all doing well, selling fish at the least possible expense, and making money, and putting it up in a more substantial place than a Tenepe. — — Let present I have no news worth imparting. — Occasionally I hear from Ottawa how things are going on! to see a common phrase from the last Jumps!!! and that is about all! — Elections are at Quebec, not encouraging for the Conservative cause. — —



We may well say: Confound their politics, frustrate their knavish tricks; on God our part we trust: God save our Queen! — Amen...

It will require many effort on our part, and in the power of every loyal, good Conservative to keep the Right Honble Sir John A. Macdonald in power and place at the next General Elections for the Dominion!..

We must work! work! work!! and get all our friends to the Polls, to see that their votes are recorded...

People must be infatuated to do, from themselves to be led by rebels, as to buy and tolerate Sir John A. and his Government! because it became necessary in the North West for to hang Riel, a double dyed rebellious murderer! fact done by the strong arm of the law! and our Brave Militia, Most worthy and brave soldiers!! commanded by a brave officer, capable in every way for Command Militia Troops! — I could talk on this subject for a day....

So this is a wet rainy day here!— and so apparently raining all over Ontario! I shall run down this afternoon to Dundas Heights, to Niagara River; where I expect to find a fisherman fishing about 5. p. m. this evening! in contravention of the fishing Act; no person will expect me down there today, except my friends and guide who has sent me the print..

England expects every man will do his duty!!— — We are all well.!— I hope you are all the same! God bless and keep you and yours,—

W. Y. Emery Esqre
Merchant
Port Rowan,
Ont.

Yours Sincerely.—
J. Phillips

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Hamilton, Ont.
16. Oct. 1886.—

Gentlemen!

Yours herewith and that by me upon the Department Ottawa, apply to the Deputy Minister, Department of Fisheries, Ottawa.—

I am Gentlemen,
Yours respectfully,
J. H. Kerr.—

Messrs. Douglas Thomas, Shirley Bruce and Walter Gordon Esqrs.
Commissioners at Toronto!
No: 11. Building and Loan Chambers...
Toronto, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.
21. Oct. 1886.—

My Prime Masters!

Will you be pleased to let me know your business for the current year 1886.—

I called at your House on last monday.— You were away out.—

With kind regards.—

Yours Kindly.—
J. H. Kerr.—
Shirley Bruce.

Joseph Masters Esqr.
Niagara.—

P.S.

I was sorry to hear that fishing was so poor at Niagara, that some of our Fishermen had to move off to Lake Erie, beyond Buffalo, U. States.

J. H. Kerr — Jr.

Copy. ---

J. W. Kerr, -
Fishery Overseer, - Eagle, 18th October 1886.
Hamilton. Ont -

Dear Sir, -

Your close season Circular to hand; very sorry to have to tell you, that I think the close season will be verile kept this fall; as I dont think there is a whole set on the north shore of Lake Erie. The storm of the 14th cleared us all out. - had good nets and well set; the nets are all to pieces and the most of the stakes gone. A very blue look out as we all depended on making some money the last half of this month. We may set one or two nets if we get good weather for driving stakes this week; if we cannot drive this week we will do nothing at fishing this fall. - There will be no nets go out on this shore; if any, as there is some of them will not be able to do so next spring either. - This has been the worst storm that I ever saw on this shore. ---

I see by the Public press, - that the Department is dealing very easy with Lake fishermen; only charging them half price for their licenses. -- I think they ought to use us all alike under present circumstances. -

We are all enjoying good health, hoping this will find you and your family enjoying the same blessing. ---

Yours truly. —
David Lang. ---
Lang

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Dear Sir —

Thirsty Season — Eagle, 18th October 1886.

Hamilton, Out —

Dear Sir —

Your place seems to suit me very well to have to tell you that I think the place seems well to suits that this Gull, as I don't think there is a suitable hot on the north shore of Clutha.

The storm of the 14th cleared us all out. — Last year nets must well set; the nets are all in pieces and the most of the others gone. I may blow out and see all depended on nothing come money the last half of this month. We may set one or two nets if we get good weather for drying other this week; if we cannot dry this week we will do nothing more at fishing this Gull. — There will be [illegible] nets up out on this shore; if any, [illegible] there is none of them will not be able to do much drying either. — This has been the worst storm that I ever saw on this shore. —

I see by the Dublin press that the Government is checking very with Offer Protection; only charging them half price for their licences. — I think they ought to see on all white under present circumstances. —

We are all enjoying good health hoping this will find you and your family enjoying the same blessing. —

Yours truly. —

Samuel Long. —

Long

Memo: for S. P. Bennet Esqre.
Fisheries Department. —
Ottawa, Ont. —

Will you please find herewith a letter I have just received from Mr. Daniel Lang, of Eagle, Township of Aldboro' - County of Elgin.

Mr. Lang, fishes 3 Pound Nets, in the public waters of Lake Erie, fronting on the Township of Aldboro, at Eagle; he also fishes 3 Pound Nets, there for E. W. Gauthier Esqre. of Sandwich. -

Mr. Lang, is Reeve of Aldboro, and a very worthy good fellow; a warm and strong supporter of George E. Casey Esqre. M.P. - for Elgin - West. - It is my duty to take you all this; and send you at the same time copy - of Mr. Dan: Lang's letter. -

I was apprehensive that the storm of the 14th. inst. would damage and injure the Pound Nets, on Lake Erie; just as Mr. Lang, tells the Tale. - I daily expect a letter from Port Burwell, on the same subject. —

Had I not better report the Lang letter, to The Deputy Minister. &c. - &c. - &c.

When you told me last spring that the Fishermen in Overseer Prosser's Division, had their licence fees reduced; I expected some of the Fishermen - in Elgin Division would cry out! Lang however, is the first, and the only one who has alluded to the subject thus far! - Yours respectfully. -

Hamilton, Ont. - John W. Kerr. —
19. October 1886. - Fishery Overseer.

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Athens: Jan 6 1860 Tuesday

Piraeus Department. —

Athens, Greece. —

While you please just transmit a letter I have just received from the Consul General of Egypt: Township of Alexandria: Country of Egypt. The Consul states, in the public matters of state, pertaining to the Township of Alexandria, at Egypt. To wit Pirates & Consul Gate, there for to let Institution Egypt of Government. —

The Consul is Name of Alexandria, must be very unwilling your Gallows: to receive the Alexandria Institution of Egypt to Government Egypt. — It is very during the time you are this: must come your at the same time copy of the Consul letter. —

I have explained that the Citizen of the Institution, would discharge and inquire the Consul Gate, to state this: Just as the Egypt Gate the Gate. — I similar report to Letter from Gate Consul, to the same subject. —

That I not better report the Consul Letter, to the Department Minister. &c. — &c. —

When you that we last opening that the Piraeus to Greece Prosecution Institution, the Piraeus Department: I suppose done of the Piraeus. to Egypt Minister must pay out: Consul Treasurer, is the first, as the only one who the allowed to the sub-first this for: — Yours respectfully. —

Consulate. Gat. — Christopher. —

19. October 1860. — Stating Greece

Hamilton! Ont:—
20th October 1886.—

Sir.—

I have the honor to send you Bank draft No: 571.- for the sum of Nine dollars.—

Will you be pleased to apply this amount for this current year as follows:—

1. David Fitch, Burlington Beach;- On account of Fishing license fee, license already received; the amount now sent is:— $3.00 c.-

2. Charles Teape, Burlington Beach:- On account of Fishing license fee,- license already received; the amount now sent is- $3.00 c.-

3. Samuel Corey.- Burlington Beach; "For a Boat license to fish 300 Yards of Herring Gill net, in that part of the public waters of Lake Ontario, fronting on Burlington Beach, between the Upper Lamp post on the Hamilton and N. & W. Western Railway, and the Burlington Canal, Reserve post."- Amount is,- $3.00 c.

Total, $9.00 c.

I recommend that you will be pleased to grant this license!

Respectfully submitted:—

I have the Honor to be,
Sir,—
Your Obedient Servant,
John W. Kerr.
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa! Ont.

Ottawa, 1st

20th October 1886.

Sir,

I have the honor to send you Chamberlay
Mr: Cy: for the sum of three dollars.

Will you be pleased to supply this
amount for this warrant upon as follows:

1. Amount Cash, Banking Dept: for amount of Fishing licenses fee refunded incorrect: the amount now sent is: $3.00

2. Mikado Lodge, Banking Dept: for amount of Fishing license fee, license erroneously received: the amount now sent is: $3.00

3. Samuel Berry, Banking Dept: for Boat license to pick 300 pounds of throwing fish net, on that part of the public waters of Lake Huron, pursuing on Banking Dept: for the Upper County part on the Ottawa and North Western Railway, and the Banking Dept: Revenue part: Amount is: $3.00

Total $9.00

I recommend that you write to please to grant this license:

Respectfully Submitted:

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

Chief Inspector.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

applied for in yo.

follows:-

✓Daniel Patterson,..$150., ✓C. W. G.

✓Daniel Lang,.....$150., ✓Joseph Page,& Co,$100.,

✓William Church,....$100., ✓John Ellison.Jr..,$250.,

✓John Price,.....$250., ✓F. A. Kontze,....$100.,

✓Thomas Thompson,...$100., ✓S. Young & Co,...$250.,

✓G. A. Brown,&c.....$250., ✓W. Y. Emery, &c..$250.,

The fees on such licenses must invariably be paid in advance and no one allowed to fish until the full fee has been paid.

You will ~~return~~ please report to this Department all licenses that are not taken and paid for by the end of this month.

I am

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Deputy Minister of Fisheries.

John W. Kerr. Esq.

Hamilton.

Ont.

Hamilton: Ont,—
21st October 1886....

Sir,

I have to report that on sunday the 3rd instant, at Bronte in Lake Ontario, the same being sunday, and between 6, of the clock on saturday night, and 6, of the clock on the following monday morning! James L, Joyce, did fish for, catch, and and Kill a large quantity of Herrings and Ciscos! in contravention of the Fisheries Act.--

On the 7th instant, I visited Bronte, when the complaint was made to me by Overseer W. D, Pollock, the resident Local officer, and by Mr William Ingledew a fisherman.—

I brought the case before James Cahill, J.P. Police Magistrate, Hamilton, on the 15th instant, James L, Joyce, pleaded Guilty! made an excuse not sufficient for to justify him, in breaking the Law.--

Today the Magistrate, gave his decision by inflicting a fine of Ten dollars, and 3.35 costs! or 20 days in Jail.---

And he confiscated the Boat and Gill nets fished on the 3rd instant, as reported.—

James L, Joyce, has a wife who is afflicted with fits: called the falling sickness.---

This is James L, Joyces, first offence.---

Respectfully Submitted.—

John W. Kerr
Fishery Overseer,

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa! Ont,

Hamilton. Ont.
21. Oct: 1886. —

My dear Joe! —

Will you please hand the enclosed to Mr Ratch Wadsworth, and get from him $20.- and I will then send it to Ottawa: and get up his license for him. —

Read over the paper to him first, and then hand it to him: —

There was no person fishing on last Sunday night - Rob: Reid, went up upper Machine - no one there. — If Wadsworth does not pay me at sight, I have no choice in his case but bring him before Squire Wm Kelly, Niagara, and fine him for fishing without a license!

Mr Jos: Gabrie &c
Buffalo, Ont. }

Yours. &c. }

Will Reid regards!

John W. Kerr —
Fishery Overseer.

Hamilton, — Ont. —
21. October 1886. —

My dear Wadsworth. —

I wish you would on receipt of this, send me your license money for this current year: — viz.t. 10.- for the upper ground;
" and 10.- for the lower ground.
Total. 20. — You have left yourself liable to be fined and your Machines confiscated for fishing without a license. —

The last time your father paid me at Niagara; he told me I was to look to you in future for the license money. —

Your own common sense should tell you: that before you commenced fishing last spring: you should first have paid your license fee $20.- The year extends from 1st January. to 31st December 1886. —

Mr Wadsworth. —
Fisherman. St. Catts.
Buffalo. — }

Yours. John W. Kerr —
Fishery Overseer.

Hamilton, Ont.

My dear Joe:— 21. Oct. 1886.—

Write you please have the
enclosed to the Postal Inspector, and get
from him $20.— and send the same at the
Office; and get up his licence for him.—
Don't use the paper to him yet, and
the same at the time:—

Also see if you can find out —
my mail.— Ont. Lic. and supply allowance.—
— also.— If Mansell does not pay me at
mail, I have no chance in his case but losing
his supply licence. Mansell, Hughes, and Joe
has to finish contract — licence

Yours: Jackson Ont. Lic. Inspector.
Mansell, Ont. Hughes. Yr. Christian Brewer

Hamilton, Ont.

My dear Mansell.— 21. October 1886.—

I send you another receipt of this
date for your licence money for other counties
Joe:— may 1st. 10.— for the supply permit;
and 10.— for the licence permit.
Also, 20.— You have left your
mail with the Jones and you allowance
confiscated for fishing without a licence.—
The last time you fished you
at Hughes: I told you I was to look to
you for fishing for the licence money.—
Now you see — you have already had
you: that before you commenced fishing
last spring: you should first have paid
your licence for 1886.— The year expired from
Mr. January. to 31st December 1886.—

Yours. Christian Brewer.
Mansell.— Jackson Ont.
Christian Brewer.

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Hamilton; Ont.

26. Oct. 1886.—

My dear Brother Allison! —

It was with deep pain and extreme regret; that I read of the damage and loss sustained by our friend and Brother Fraser of the Fraser House; Port Stanley, — caused by the violent storm of the 14th inst. — I cannot explain to you my feelings when the storm arrived here! how it was going to be, and operate on your Ponds. the storm blowing as it did in on your shore! sweeping as I felt sure it would your nets and stakes from their fastenings: — I got a letter from Daniel Lang, Reeve of Aldboro at Eagle, who fishes 3 ponds for himself, and three for Gauthier, of Sandwich, and his account of all your Ponds, is a

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great calamity. — I sent a copy of Mr Lang's letter to the Fisheries department, Ottawa! altho' bear in mind, I would much sooner be the Herald of good news in your behalf to that quarter! — because when you come to view the satisfactory state of things in the Elgin Division, since I took charge; it could not be otherwise. — Since June last I have not had an occasion to visit any part of the Division; because every thing has gone on so smoothly! how pleasant it is for us all to dwell together in Unity. —

Will you be pleased to write me a short note giving loss and damage caused by storm of 14th to yourself and others, I want to lay it before the Department, And will you please see my friend John Crain Esq. and tell him I will thank him to do the same. —

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Hunsdon, Oct.

21 Oct 1866.—

My dear Charles Allnion!—

It was until day-yesterday I
received your letter of the
evening and has instantly by me
Pennant and Brother Chauncey of
the Pioneer Chess. Oct Hunsdon—
Pennant for the resident chess of the
Pioneer ... I cannot explain to
you my feeling when the chess on
board here! How it was going to be
and expects on your Cousin the chess
blessing as it did in so your chess!
Imagining as I felt sure it would
your rich and affection your thoughts for
thanks. — I get a letter from Cousin
Jane. Leave of Hilton at long to wife
Julia I promise for himself and three
for Gunther, of Cambridge, and the
remainder of all your Cousin is a
great calamity. — I have a copy
of the Cousin letter to the Chickens Re=
gardment. Oh! Charles! Will then in mind
I would need know to the Chickens
of your name in your behalf to that
quarter! — Cousin when you come to
know the satisfactory state of things
in the Cousin Allnion, since I left
charge, it could not be otherwise. —
Since June last I have not had an
occasion to visit any part of the
Allnion; because every thing has gone
on so smoothly; how pleasant it is for
us all to dwell together in unity. —

Will you be pleasant to write me a
short note giving her most drawing concer=
ning when of it to yourself and others.
I want to keep it before the department;
but will you please see my Pennant
for Chess for Cousin and take him I will
thank him to do it the same. —

Hamilton, Ont.
21. Oct. 1886.—

My dear Captain.—

Will you be pleased to let me know for the information of the Department, how your Canal Nets, and Mr. A. Young's Canal nets fared, and came out of the storm of the 14th instant.—

I hope sincerely that you escaped some of the heavy loss and damage; that I regretted to hear, other fishermen sustained.—

With my warm regards to you and Yours—believe me!—

Yours fraternally.—
John Wilson
H.S.—

Captain
Hiram Thompson,
Port Rowan,
Ont.

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I enjoy good health, all things considered, my family are all enjoying God's choicest blessing—good health.—

I hope you and family enjoy the same blessing!. I send my warm regards and respects to you and to all.—

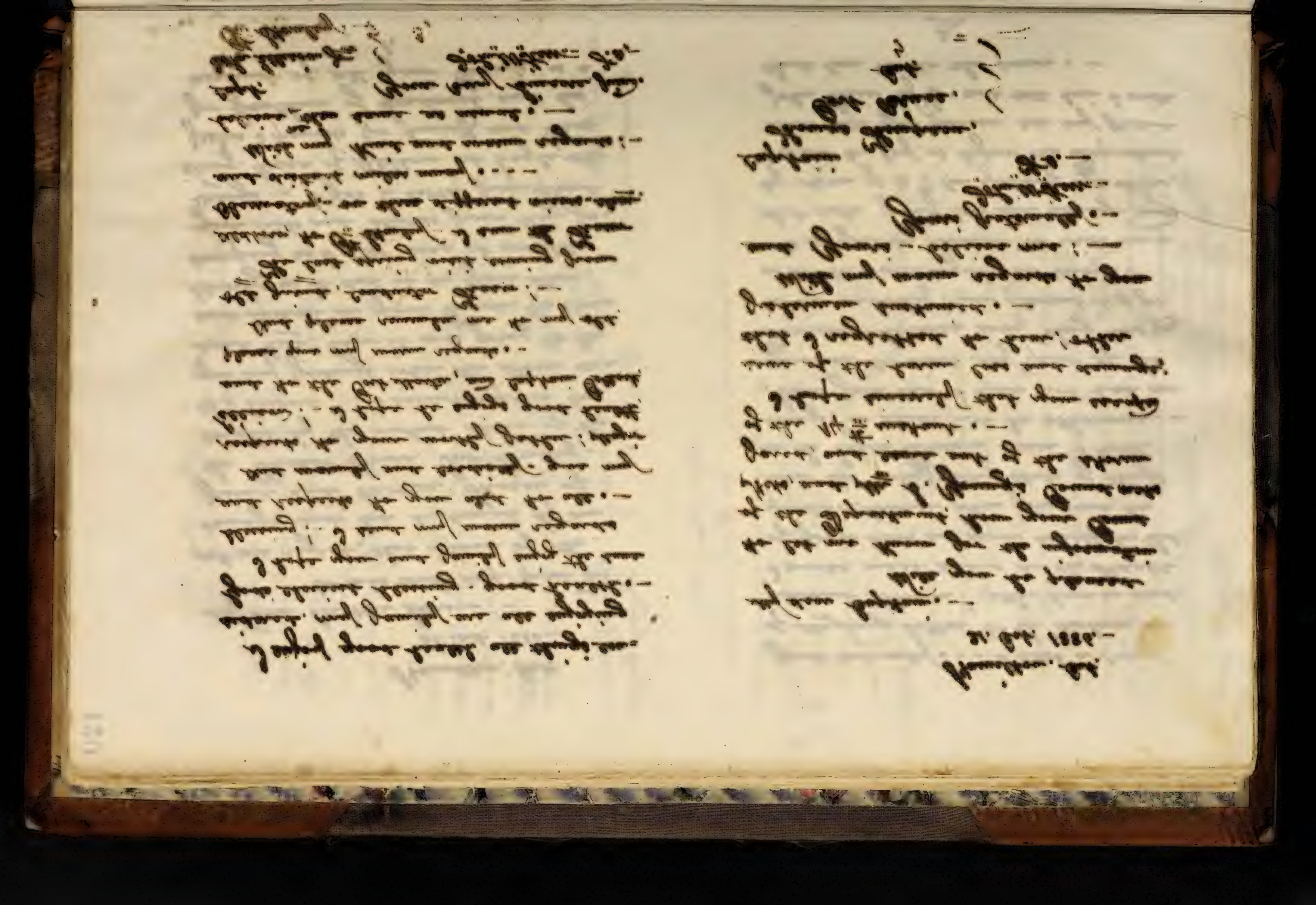
And warmly and cordially give my respects to your worthy father: Major Wilson!—I hope he enjoys good health, and to the Port Master, and Captain Otter, please give my warm regards.—

And please remember me to my old, old friend, Conductor Brown!—

The last spring visit coming from Aldborough to St. Thomas I saw the Brown Observatory,—on those different occasions—than, and distinct miles away....—

With my kind and warm regards!—believe me, the same as usual.—

Capt. Your very sincere friend.
Wm. Wilson Jr. John Wilson H.S.
St. Thomas.



Private!

Hamilton, Ont.

My dear Rob, 21. Oct. 1886. —

Aldridge promised and agreed to fence the Ferry lot for me so as to keep out the Cows from destroying my trees that are planted there. — $

This year my Taxes $9.30, and two Bills for Lumber $15.00, — and so far I have made nothing! altho I heard from Aldridge that he had offered Jared Thornton $15.00 for the plums on the Lot. —

You can find out to whom the plums were sold for me for $15.00. — I have written to Wadsworth to pay his licence fishing fee $20. — and if he does not do it very soon, will have to summons him before Wm Kerby Esq. J.P. Niagara. Robt Reid Esq. Clerk of Peace.

Yours truly, —
J. Williams Jr.

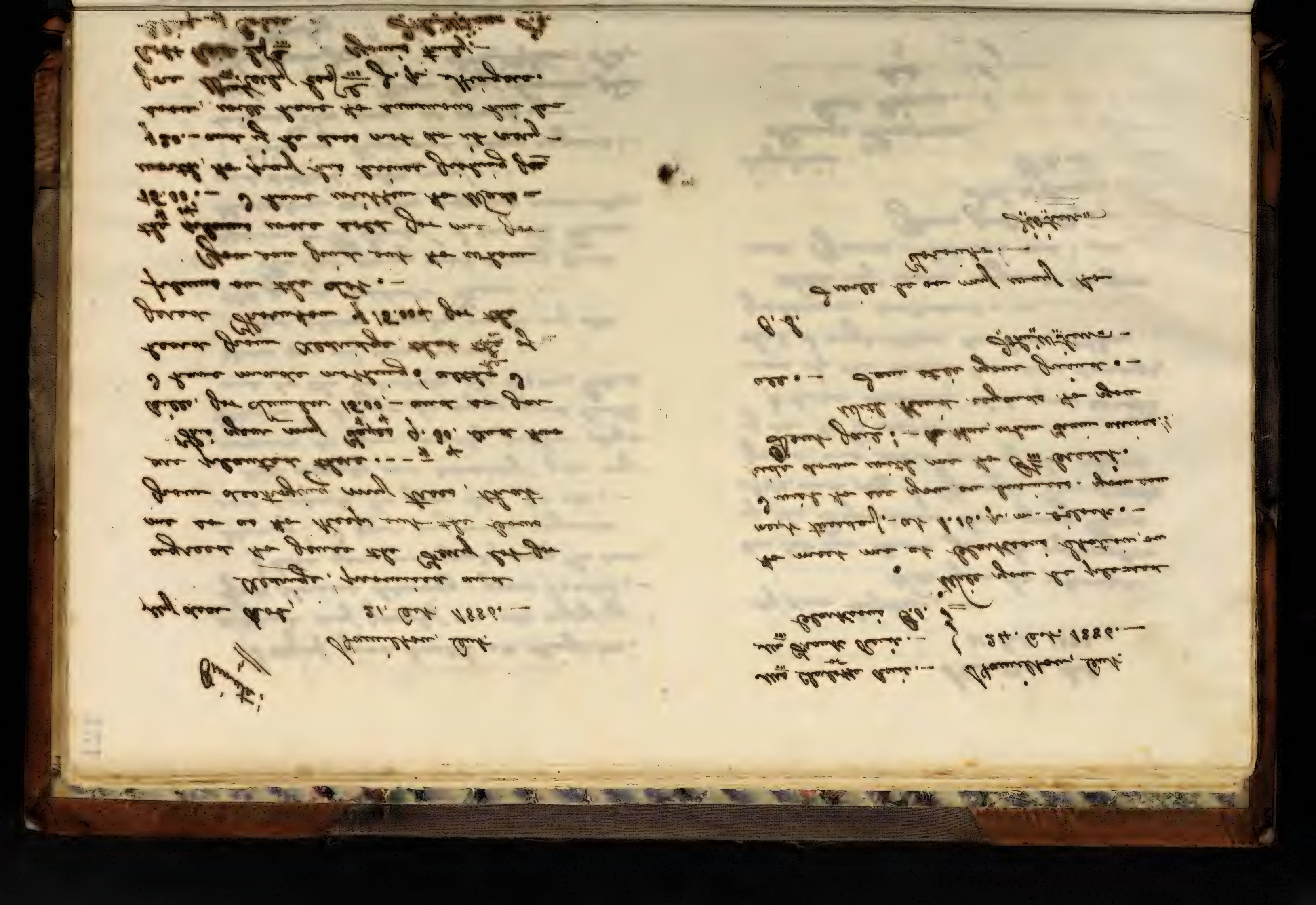
Mrs Charlotte Reid. —
or
Mr Frank Reid. —
Clarkson's P.O.

Hamilton, Ont.
24. Oct. 1886. —

Will you be pleased to meet me at Clarkson's Station, on next tuesday, — at 1.16. p.m. o'clock. —
I wish to see you on business. you can ride down with me to Port Credit.
Don't fail! — be there, when train arrives!!
With kind regards to you all. — I am still your friend. —
J. Williams —

P.S.

I will be on my way to Toronto! —
J. Williams



Hamilton! Ont.—
21st October 1886.—

Sir.—

I have to report that on Sunday the 3rd instant, at Bronte, in Lake Ontario! between six of the Clock on Saturday evening, and six of the clock on the following monday morning! James L. Joyce, with his Boat and Boats Crew did out in the public waters of Lake Ontario, on the 3rd and did fish for, catch and kill a large quantity of Herring and Ciscoes, in Contravention of the Fisheries Act.---

On the 7th instant, I visited Bronte when the complaint was made to me by Warden, W. D. Collock, and by William Dugladew, a fisherman.---

I bro[illegible] the c[illegible] before James Carlile, Esq. J.P. Police [illegible] fishate Hamilton; on the 15th instant, James L. Joyce, pleaded guilty:- made excuses not sufficient to justify him in breaking the Sabbath "Close Season".

Today the Magistrate, gave his decision [illegible] inflicting a fine of Ten dollars, and 3 35/100 Co[illegible] or 20 days in Jail!- And he confiscated J. Boat! and gill nets fished up on Sunday the 3rd instant, as reported herein!---Subject to your approval.---

I may here rep[illegible]t that James L. Joyce, has a wife, who is subject to severe fits called the "Fallen sickness".-- This is James L. J[illegible]ce, first offence! Last fall he lost a Boat and about 3,000 yards of Herring gill nets! under a[illegible] circumstances of this case: so far as his Boat and nets in present case are concerned.- I feel disposed to recommend him to your consideration.— Respectfully Submitted.

* Worth $400.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa! Ont.

John Wiken.—
Fishery Overseer.

Hamilton! Ont.

Sir,

21st October 1886.

I have to report that on examining the 3rd instant at Brants in Lake Ontario between 4 of the clock on Saturday evening, and 4 of the clock on the following morning James C. Joyce, with his boat and boats from shore out in the public waters of Lake Ontario on the 3rd inst did fish for, catch and kill a large quantity of herring and lisses, in contravention of the Fishery Act ...

On the 7th instant, I visited Brants under the complaint was made to me by Messrs. W.D. Gibbs and Wilkinson displacing a fishermen ...

I then met the said James Joyce. Gibbs & Wilkinson, the 15th instant James C. Joyce, admitted quilty: made answer not sufficient to justify him in fishing the closed close season.

Having the magistrate, gave his decision by imposing a fine of five dollars, and 3 dollars costs or 20 days in jail. Due to complainants Gibbs & Wilkinson, I have requested James C. Joyce, with his boat and nets from shore out in the public waters of Lake Ontario on the 3rd instant, as reported herein ... subject to your approval ...

I may here report that James C. Joyce, has a wife, who is subject to fevers fits: called the "yellow sickness". This is James C. Joyce's first offence; does not pole to lift a boat and about 300 yards of herring pole nets, under the circumstances of this case: so far as his boat and nets in present case are concerned I feel disposed to recommend him to your consideration. Respectfully submitted.

Boat & 300 =

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa! Ont.

Chas. Hamilton
Fishery Overseer

Hamilton: Ont:
22. October 1886.—

Sir,

I have to report for your information, that it has been communicated to one by Danl Lang Esqr J. P. Reeve of Aldboro, "A licensed fisherman" in the public waters of Lake Erie, fronting on the township of Aldboro, Elgin Division! "That the storm of the 14th instant, has cleared them out. We had good nets and well set; the nets are all to pieces and the most of the stakes gone". "A very blue look out as we all depended on making some money the last half of this month".—

"We may set one or two nets if we get good weather for driving stakes this week; if we cannot drive this week, we will do nothing more at fishing this fall".— "There will be very few nets go out on this shore; if any, and I think there, some of them will not be able to do so next spring either".— "This has been the worst storm that I ever saw on this shore".—

Such is the account I received from Mr Lang. Besides! since that storm no fish have arrived in Hamilton, from Lake Erie.—

I expect further particulars daily.—

Respectfully Submitted!

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa: Ont.

John Wilkes
Fishery Overseer.

Hamilton, Ont.

22. October 1886.—

Sir,

I have to report for your information, that it has been communicated to me by Mr. Alex. Cayley, of Q. Farm of Hilldrop, "A licensed Butchering" in the public matters of death &c. &c. Posting on the township of Hilldrop, Elgin Division:—"What the return of the 11th instant, has observed them &c. &c. "He had good luck and made bad: the luck we all to praise and the most of the other gone". "Of many this last out as we all displeased as much= ing some money the last half of this month".—

"He may let us or two luck if we get good weather for drying after this week: if we cannot drive this week, we make to nothing more of picking this field".— "There will be very few luck go out on this share; if hurry, and I think this some of them will not be able to do so next spring either".— "This has been the worst season that I ever saw on this share".—

Such is the account I received from Mr. Cayley.

Wonder! since that return no fish have ar= rived in Hamilton, from Lake Erie.—

I report further proceedings shortly.—

I have the honour to be,
Your obedient servant,
Thos. Mulvihill.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa: Ont.

Printed fishing licence! —

Mr John St. Clair,
Clinton,
Beamsville. —

Ont.

Mailed on 25,
Oct. 1886. J.W.Kerr F.O.

Printed fishing licence! —

Philip Tuffford Esq.
Clinton! —
Beamsville! —
Ont.

Mailed on 25,
Oct. 1886. J.W.Kerr F.O.

Printed fishing licence! —

Mr John St. Lands, —
Clinton! —
Beamsville. —
Ont.

Mailed on 25,
October 1886.
J.W.Kerr. F.O.

Printed fishing licence! —

Mr David Tyson. —
Fisherman.
Clinton! —
Beamsville.
Ont. —

Mailed on 25,
Oct. 1886. J.W.Kerr F.O.

Minister Publicing
Licence !—

Mr John M. Leary.
Kilmore,
Beaconsfield. —
Lab.

Allowed on 26.
Oct. 1886. Pilchers
&c.

Minister Publicing
Licence !—

Mining Surveyors Exam.
Kilmore !—
Beaconsfield !— Lab.

Allowed on 26.
Oct. 1886. Pilchers
&c.

Minister Publicing
Licence !—

Mr John M. Leary.
Kilmore !—
Beaconsfield. —
Lab.

Allowed on 26.
Oct. 1886. Pilchers
&c.

Minister Publicing
Licence !—

Mr Thomas Lyons. —
Chiltern.
Kilmore !—
Beaconsfield.
Lab. —

Allowed on 26.
Oct. 1886. Pilchers
&c.

Printed fishing license! —

Mr. Nos.
Mr. Lavan, —
and
J. Englehart, —
Clinton! —
Beamsville,
Ont.

Mailed on 25. Oct. 1886. Jno. Kew. P.O.

Printed fishing license!

Mr. Wm. Stone,
Clinton!
Beamsville,
Ont.

Mailed on
25. Oct. 1886. —
Jno. Kew — P.O.

See Printed fishing license!

Mr. Chester Wadsworth,
Fisherman! —
on Nations No. 3. & 17. —
Niagara River!!
Queenston. Ont.

Mailed on the
2nd Nov. 1886. —
Jno. Kew, P.O. —

Printed fishing license! —

Mr. James St. Culp,
Clinton! —
Beamsville,
Ont.

Mailed on
25. Oct. 1886.
Jno. Kew. P.O.

Printed fishing license! —

Mr. Joseph Culp,
Clinton!
Beamsville,
Ont.

Mailed on 25,
Oct. 1886. Jno. Kew. P.O.

Hunter Fishing
Licence !

Hunter Fishing
Licence !

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Hunter Fishing
Licence !

Printed fishing
licence!—

Mr. W. Lands,—
Clinton,
Beamsville,
Ont.

Mailed on 25.
Oct. 1886. J. W. Kerr
P.O.

Printed fishing
licence!—

Frank Wyatt, Esq.
Reeve of South.—
Jordan,—
P. Office,
Ont.

Mailed on 25.
Oct. 1886. J. W. Kerr
P.O.

Printed fishing
licence!—

Mr. Geo: L. Culp,—
Clinton,—
Beamsville.—
Ont.—

Mailed on 25.
Oct. 1886. J. W. Kerr
P.O.

Printed fishing
licence!—

Mr. Alf. Weimer.—
South.—
Jordan Station:—
P. Office.
Ont.

Mailed on 25.
Oct. 1886. J. W. Kerr
P.O.—

United States Patent Office.

Lessee:—

Mr. A. Lawrence,
Petition.
Assignee.
Filed.

Specification of
Let. 1886. Patent No.

United States Patent Office.

Lessee:—

Mr. Alfred Lawrence, Esq.
Lessee of Lewis.—
Petition.
Assignee.
Filed.

Specification of
Let. 1886. Patent No.

United States Patent Office.

Lessee:—

Mr. Geo. C. Lewis,
Petition.
Assignee.
Filed.

Specification of
Let. 1886. Patent No.

United States Patent Office.

Lessee:—

Mr. Alf. Lawrence.—
Lewis.—
Petition Petition:—
Assignee.
Filed.

Specification of
Let. 1886. Patent No.

Hamilton, Ont.
25. October 1886.—

My dear Sir,—

The Magistrate has fined your Ten dollars, and $3\frac{20}{100}$ costs, or 20 days in Jail. and he has also confiscated your Boat and nets,— used and fished on that occasion.

You will on receipt of this! come to Hamilton and see the Magistrate. I have written the Deputy Minister, Ottawa, and said I all I could in your behalf.— I will be down at Brantford, on tomorrow tuesday, as I received all your fishing licenses to deliver and which must be all paid, for.— A man with two Boats— 10— with one Boat. 5.—

With Kind regards!—

Yours truly,
John W. Kerr—
Y. Pacaar.

Mr Jas L. Joyce,
Brantford!—

Notice fishing licen!
Jos: L. Joyce.
Brantford.
Ont.

October 25.
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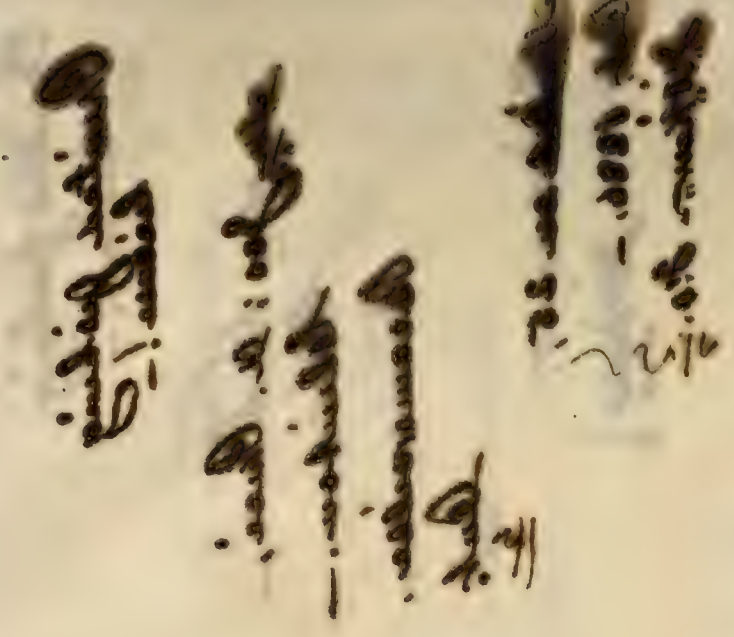

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12th October 1881.

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Hamilton, Ont. —
25. October 1886. —

My dear Sir!

I duly received your application for permission to catch speckled Trout out of your Creek, during "Close Season," this fall, for the purpose of stocking your Ponds at Millgrove.

I duly laid the same before the Deputy Minister, Department of Fisheries, Ottawa; and I recommended that he would grant to you the privilege sought which he has granted herewith. . . I am satisfied that you will act strictly, and in good faith in accordance with the Deputy Ministers letter, copy of letter sent as your authority herewith. —

Believe me, My dear Sir, —

Yours Sincerely,

John Kerr. —

Shipman Cummins Esq.
Millgrove Post Office
Flamboro West

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Copy. —

Ottawa, 20th October 1886. —

Sir. —

In answer to your letter of 16th instant, transmitting an application from Mr. S. Cummins of Flamboro' who requests permission to catch a few Trout out of his Creek during the close season for the purpose of stocking private ponds, I beg to state that, the Department sees no objection to granting Mr. Cummins request subject to your approval, provided you are satisfied that no other disposition will be made of the Trout than that stated in Mr. Cummins letter. —

I am, Sir, —

Your Obedient Servant,

John Tilton. —

Deputy Minister of Fisheries.

J. W. Kerr Esq.
Hamilton, Ont.

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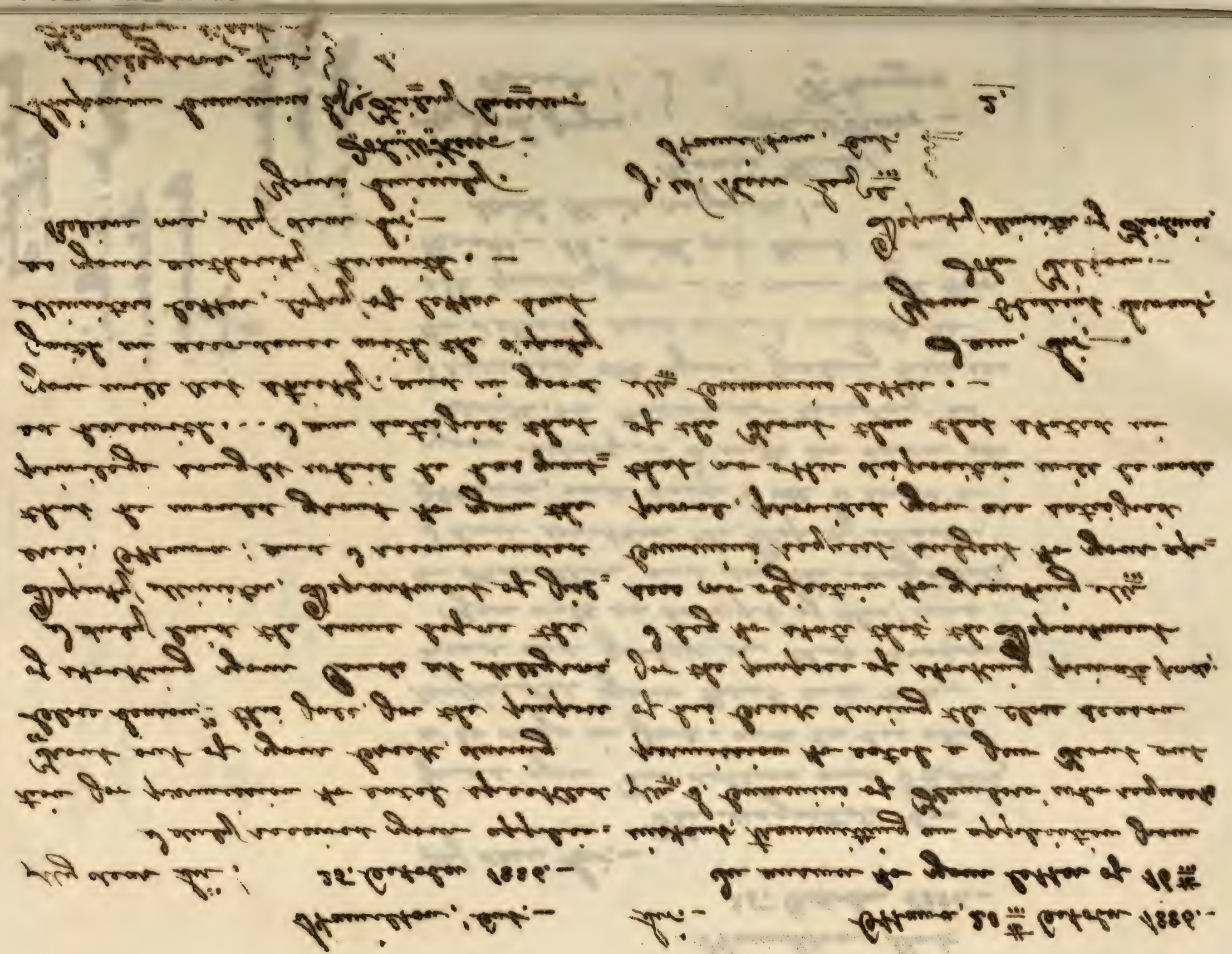

Copy.—

Marine Department.—
Ottawa,
14. August 1886.

Hamilton! Ont.—
26. October 1886.—

Sir.—

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 16th ultimo, enclosing a petition from Mr. F. M. Corey, asking for remuneration for his outlay on Lyal Island, and in reply I am to inform you that the Department will allow Mr. Corey the sum of $150, on condition that he removes his buildings from our property on the Island, within 6 months.—

I am Sir.—
Your Most Obedient
Servant.—
Wm Smith.—
Deputy Minister of Marine.

John W. Kerr, Esq.
Fishery Overseer,
Hamilton, Ont.

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My dear Sir,—

I send you copy of letter of your letter of the 16th ultimo, enclosing herewith, in reference to the removal claiming a petition from Mr. F. M. Corey of certain buildings owned and used by F. M. Corey of Burlington Beach, in connection with the Fisheries on Lyal Island!. Corey informs me he has disposed of some of these Buildings to you; if such is the case, I will thank you to write me particularly that I may at once communicate with the Deputy Minister of Marine, and recommend that Corey get the 150. referred to in his letter to me.—

Yours Sincerely.—
John O'Keefe.
Fishery Overseer.

John Mackey Esq.
Light Keeper,
Lyal Island.—
Stokes Bay.—Ont.

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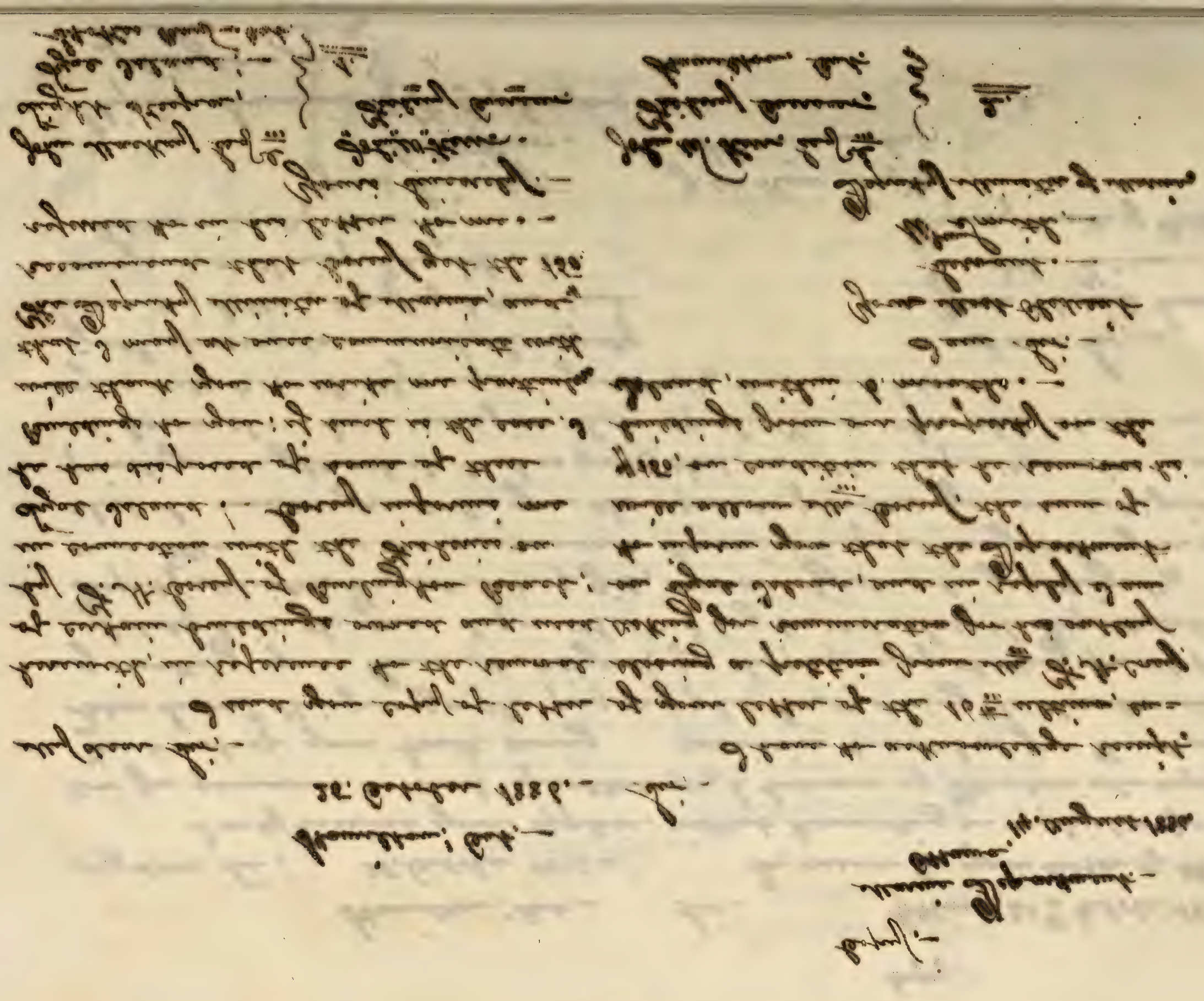


D. Cameron Esqre
J. Cameron. —
Killarney — Ont.

Hamilt. Ont.
24. October 1886. —

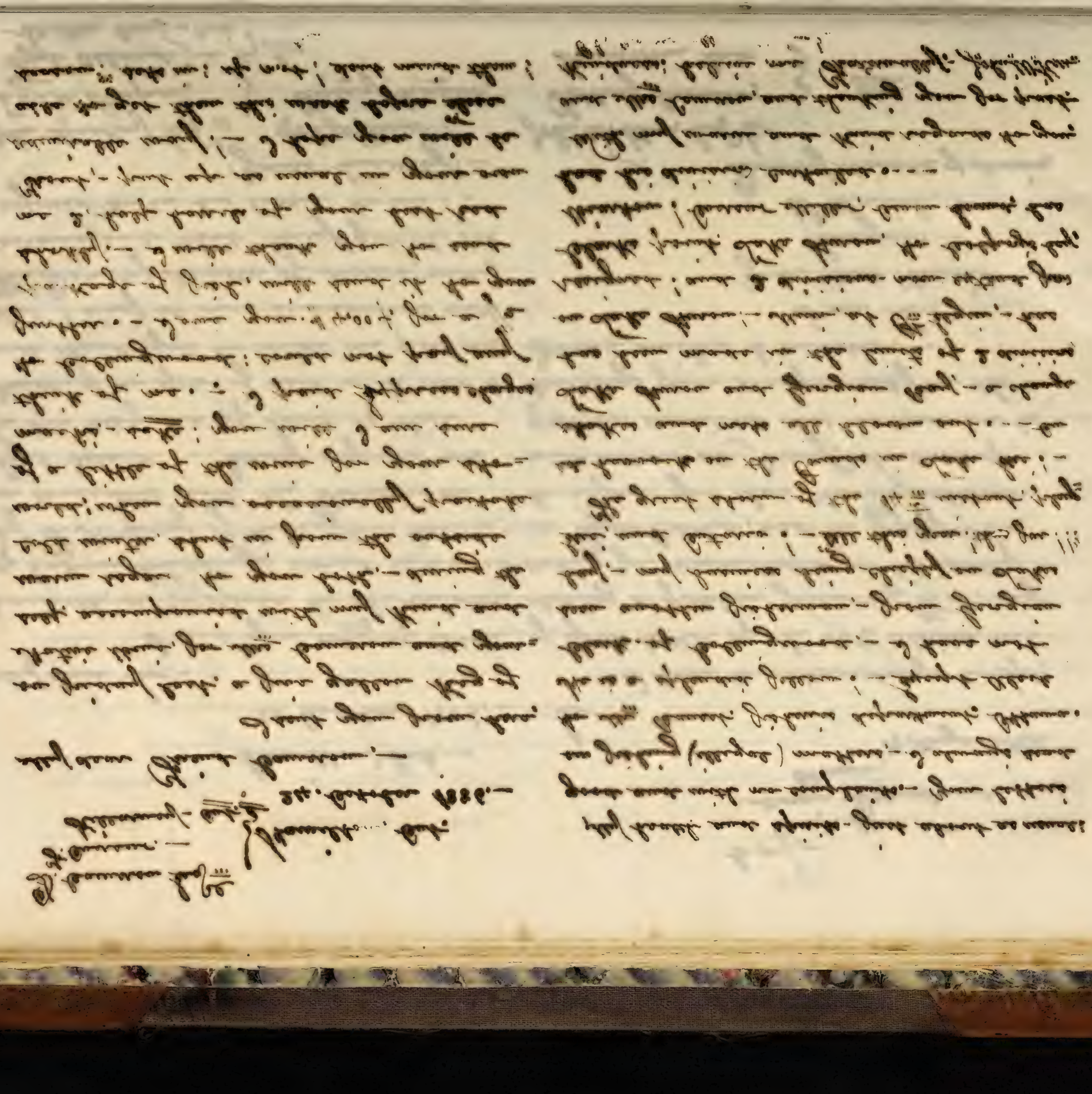
My dear Friend Cameron, —

I sent you from here, on Friday last, a five gallon Keg of Native Wine, for Mrs Cameron and yourself, accompanied with my Kind and warm regards to you both, — during the cold winter, shut in from the outside world; when you occasionally partake of a little of the wine for your stomach's sake: you will I am sure think of me. — I paid Express charges to Collingwood: could not pay any further. — I owe you $4,00 for a package of fish, will send it to you shortly. — I will thank you to send me 2 half barrels of your best Red Trout, — put up as usual in your own admirable way! — I hope you will be able to get them this week before Closed season^n sets in; if not! dont mind them!

My health and spirits — just about as usual: good and with no complaints. — Your letters on fishing (illegal) matters, — I always send to my Friend, Fisheries department, Ottawa. He is a splendid fellow! — Except Clerk Clerk of Collingwood, — I have not seen another fisherman, from Georgian Bay, — my business being chiefly on Lakes Erie and Ontario! — Mild this year! thus far!!!

The great storm of the 14th instant, played havoc on the Grounds in Lake Erie! — shakes and nets all blown out. — In Lake Huron and Georgian Bay, — a change has been made in the limits of 2 divisions on Lake Huron! — Mair, at Ot^a Legislature, — has resigned! and 2 divisions — now extend from Cloaks point, Lake Huron, to Colpoys Bay, Thornbury! Captain Miller, Owen Sound, has had his division curtailed. — —

With my warm and Kind regards to you, and Mrs Cameron, and thanking you for past Kindness; believe me Gratefully, Yours
John W. Kerr



Hamilton! Ont.—

23. October 1886.—

Sir:—

I have the honor to send you Bank draft No: 582. for the sum of Eleven dollars...

Will you be pleased to apply this amount for this current year; as follows:—

1. Isaac Pickard. Bronte. "For a Boat license to fish in Lake Ontario, fronting on the Townships of Nelson and Trafalgar; Two Boats, containing 6000. yards of twine and Herring gill nets! license received and delivered!" amount is -- $10.00 c.-

2. James H. Culp. Clinton.— "For a Boat license to fish in the public waters of Lake Ontario, fronting on the Township of Clinton; One Boat containing 150 yards of Herring gill nets!" -- $1.00 c.-

Respectfully submitted!-- Total $11.00 c.-

I have the Honor to be,—

Sir,—

Your Obedient Servant.—

J. Phillips Kerr.—

Fishery Overseer.—

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.—
Ottawa!— Ont.

N.B. Also received and delivered!.—

J. P. Kerr — J.O.

Johnstone & Co.

25. October 1886.

Sir,

I have the honor to send you Cheque No: 382. for the sum of Eleven dollars.

Will you be pleased to apply this amount for this current year; as follows:

1. Queen Victoria. Dr. To a Boat license to fish in Clyde Estuary, Pertaining on the Township of Albion and Cleveland; One Boat, containing 6000 yards of Seine and Herring gill nets; license receipt and delivered:" amount is $10.00

2. James St. Lawr. Dr. To a Boat license to fish in the Public waters of Clyde Estuary, pertaining on the Township of Ashburton; One Boat containing 150 yards of Herring gill nets:" $4.00

Temperatively submitted:- Total $14.00

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

Chief Engineer.

The Deputy Minister,

Department of Fisheries,

Ottawa:- Ont.

Sir, Your receipt and delivered:-

Wm. Johnstone - Co.

Mem: for S. P. Bousquet Esqre.
Fisheries Department,—
Ottawa! — Ont.

I am very glad that you have recalled the payment of ½ the License fee in the Elgin Division of Lake Erie, when commencing to fish! the other ½. at the end of the season. — I will explain this matter to Mr. Dan: Lang. and every other fisherman who may talk to me on the subject. — —

I dont think it will be necessary for to employ any additional force to watch during close season, next November! — I am satisfied that in Wardells Bay, — Lake Erie; township of Rainham; the law is sure to be broken same as it was last November but then, I shall direct and advise Overseer Sharp on this subject, and when he fails to catch the law breakers, I can do it; just as I did last

November! by leaving here at 4.30. p.m. I can reach Wardells Bay, — at 5. A. m; ~~next~~ the next morning! — — Go from here to Pt. Dover, by Railway, — get there at 7.20. p.m. — then drive from there to Rainham 28 miles It was told me by a Niagara fisherman; that white fish were shipped and taken to Buffalo, last November, from the County of Haldimand during close season! if it is repeated during close season next November, I will catch the offenders! but I will first give Mr. D. Sharp, a first chance to do it himself. — — I am satisfied the Elgin Division, — will obey the Law, for there has not been a loud word among them, so far! this year. — —

Mr. Captain Thompson, Port Bruce, — paid that $20, — yet, for two extra C. Nets, fished by him and Sylvanus Young, during the year 1884. — —

Allen: for J. C. Bennet Esqre.

Wardens Department,

Ottawa! -- Sir,

I am very glad that you have recalled the punishment of Jr the deserter by the officer Division of Carlo this, only commencing to fight! the other Jr. at the end of the season -- I will explain this matter to yr Mr: Clay. and every other Gentleman who may think to me on the subject ---

About think it will be necessary for to employ any additional force to recall during close season, next throughout! I am satisfied that in Wardens Dep^t. Carlo this: towards of Hamilton: the law is sure to be broken, same as it was last throughout but then, I shall direct and advise Gunners Clerp on this subject and when to funds to recall the law breakers, I am etc etc: Just as I did last

throughout! my leaving here at 4.30. p.m. I am based throughout at 5.0. p.m.: next the next morning! --- My from here to Mr Clover, my Bailiff - get there at 7.30. p.m.- then drive from there to Hamilton 28 miles where I was met by a strange Gentleman: that night I was shipped and taken to Buffalo last throughout from the County of Wentworth among these Gunners! if it is repeated among these Gunners next throughout, I will recall the offenders! but I will point give yr Mr. Clay, a point whence to do it himself. --- I am satisfied the Upper Division, will stop the close, for there has not been a boat sent out this, so far! this year ---

The Inspection Department, Port Colborne, point that 4 80.- yrs for two years Mr. Hall, Pilot for him out Superior Throughout, during the year 1884. ---

I will take a run over the Niagara Division, after the 1st of November, and see how things are getting along. - I will talk with Capt. Thompson and Mr. Sylvanus Young, about that $80.00.
I will send you a Keg of Matia wine on tomorrow! it is said to be Temperance drink and so forth. - - -

I was obliged to fine James Joyce a fisherman - at Bronte $10, and $1.85 costs, for violating the sabbath "Close season," and his Boat and Nets are confiscated! please refer to my report to the Deputy Minister! see 21. instant. I may tell you that Ben: Joyce has all turned out well, they are sober, and industrious and very good and kind and good to their aged father and mother, by supporting and keeping them very comfortable - in their old days! - now that they are unable from age and infirmities to do any thing, whatever!

It will be soon time for me to apply to you for permission to spear next November, in Burlington Bay. - About the Night soil and filth in Niagara River, at Fort Erie, it got a good cleaning out during the storm on the 14th instant: See St. Erie News! -

The filth, from the Trunk Sewers of Hamilton and Toronto! from in to the Toronto and Hamilton Bays, has polluted the water - in these Bays - much more injurious than Dr. Ferguson, reported the Niagara River, at Fort Erie. - - - I suppose it can't be avoided. - - -

I would like some time if it met your approval, to take a run down to Ottawa, and pay my respects to the powers that be; and to you my long, faithful and sincere friend.

I am Yours respectfully. - John Wilson
F.O. -

Hamilton, Ont.
24. Oct. 1886.

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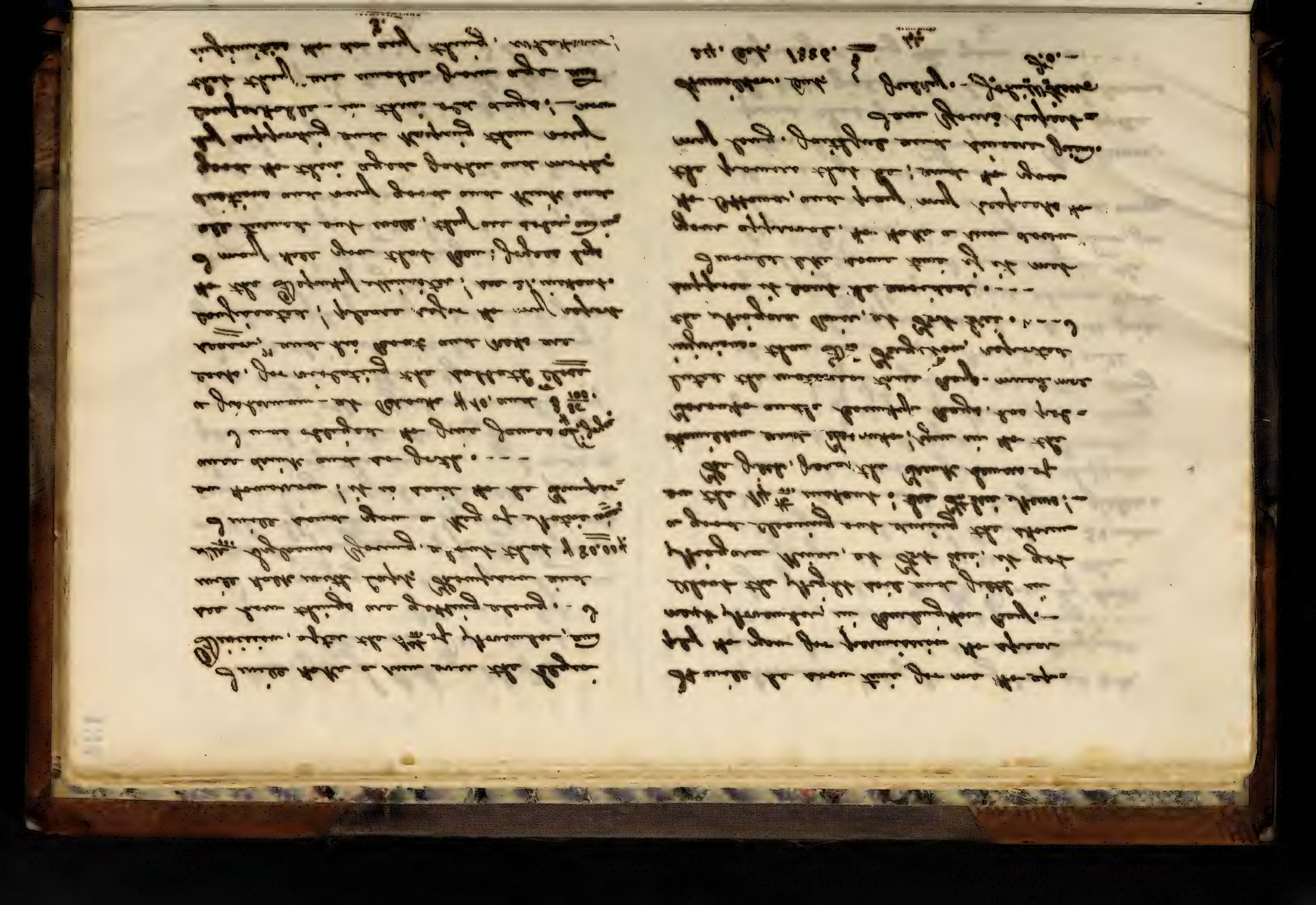

Memorandum for S. P. Bunnet Esq.
Fisheries Department. —
Ottawa; Ont:. —

Here is another sample of the loss and damage to Pound Nets in Lake Erie; fronting on the township of Houghton; in the Norfolk Division:
1. Frank Jackson, — Port Burwell. —
Licensed to fish 4, Pound nets, — In writing to a friend, H. Deming in charge of the Freezer at Port Burwell! says: —

Mr Emery respecting the storm of the 14th inst., says: it was the worst he ever saw. — Our Ice House, when it went down, left full sweep up that street. — The Building where we had our twine, was unroofed. — Collins Mill lost its roof. — But the worst is! the nets! — We got a piece of one

lead at Clear Creek, 10 miles away from where the pound was set, — A piece of heart and tunnel, with two pieces of stakes about one mile out in the Lake, off Clay point. — One lead, close to Clay point, so mixed with logs and every thing else we had to let it go, on Saturday. — But I told Frank to get it today 18th.
Chas Hamilton at Clear Creek, — Haugh. — licensed to fish 8, Pound nets:
The writer says! Rates had two nets set, and up to Saturday night, we had not found anything of either. —

Long in Division! —
Emery and Bay, — Bayhaven.
Brown and Bay, — do. —
Licensed to fish 4, pounds each! — in Lake Erie, fronting on the Town=

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ship of Bayham! – The letter states Lowery and Brown, are no better off, than we are! – –

Down at Port Bruce, things are just as bad! – And until two days, no fish arrived in Buffalo, since the storm. – – –

Sheriff – Woodruff of St. Catherines, died a couple of months ago, during his life time he held one share in the Long Company, – Lake Erie! It was sold the other day, and brought upwards of 6,000, dollars.

Would you like a few pair of Long point wild ducks. I can get them handy for you. –

Yours respectfully,
John O'Kane –
F.O.

Hamilton, Ont.
25, Oct, 1886.

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Hamilton, Ont.
25. October 1886. –

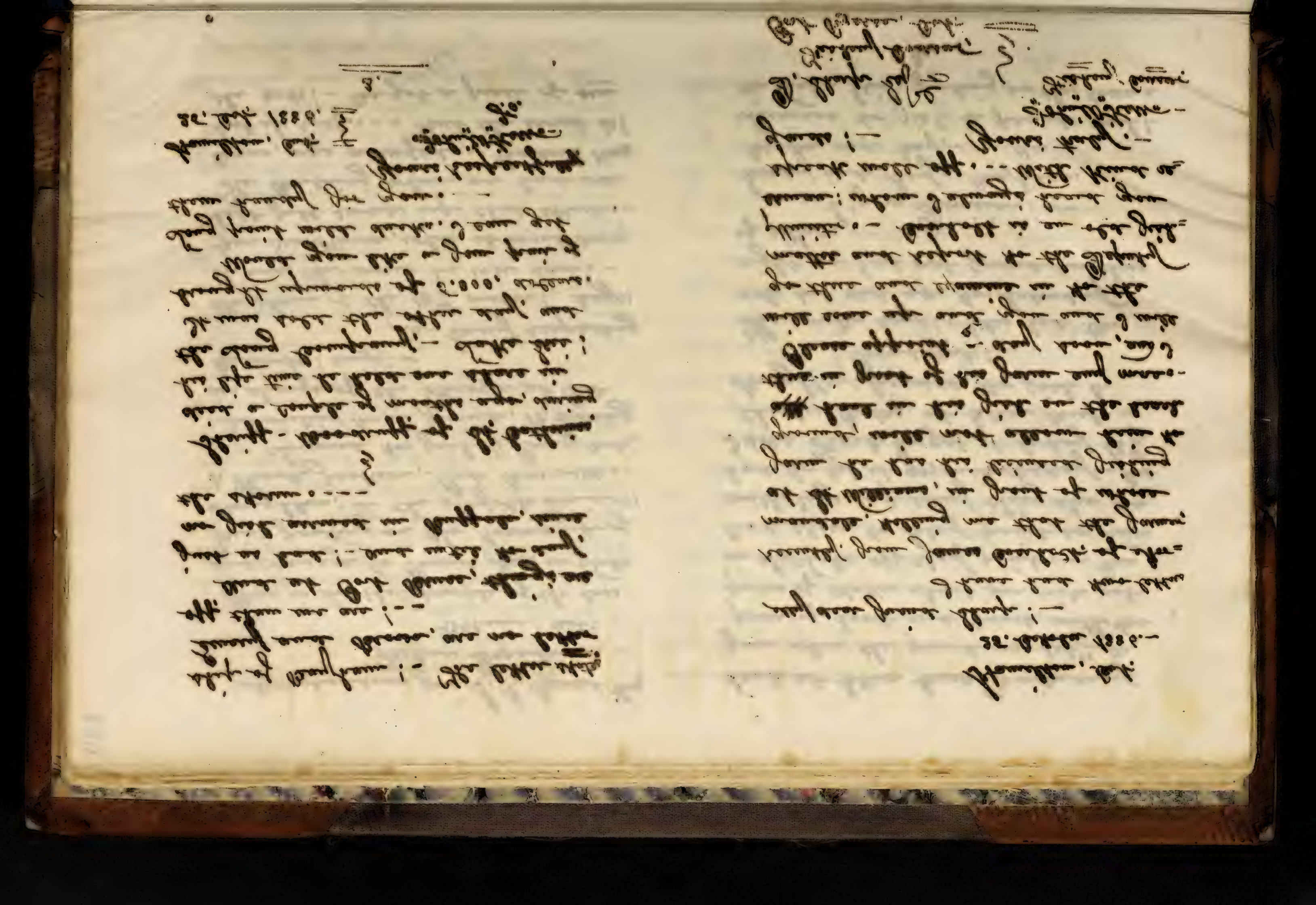
My dear friend Sharp! –

I have had two letters recently, from James Cornbolt, of Normandale, telling me that the Farmer, at St. Williams, in front of whose farm he has his licensed fishing ground, will not allow him to haul in his fish on the beach there in front of his farm any more. –

Please appoint a day soon, and I will come up and you and I will go there and examine into the matter and report to the Deputy Minister. – Cornbolt is an old fisherman: whom I always heard you speak well off. – With Kind regards! – Yours truly. –

John O'Kane –
Fishery Cruiser.

D. Sharp Esq.
Fishery Overseer,
Port Rowan, Ont.



Hamilton!. Ont.—
27. October 1886...

Sir, —

I have the honor to send you Bank Draft No: for the sum of Twenty nine dollars....

Will you be pleased to apply this amount as License fee. for this current year, 1886. as follows!—

1. Joseph Masters, Niagara: "For a Boat License already received, and delivered": $5.00 ¢.
2. Moses Millard, Burlington Canal,— "For a Boat License already received, and delⁿ" 4.00 ¢.
3. Charles Wadsworth, Queenston: "For a License to fish Two Machines in the Niagara River at Queenston Heights". This License is to be the same as last year, except that Charles Wadsworth! has his father John Wadsworth, place with mutual consent, and subject to your approval" amount.. $20.00 ¢.

I recommend that you will be pleased to grant this licence...

Respectfully submitted....

John W. Kerr —
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa!— Ont.

Hunsdon, 1st.

Jan. 27th 1886...

I have the honor to send you Bank Draft No: for the sum of twenty nine dollars...

While you be pleased to apply the amount as follows for this amount year 1886, as follows:-

1. Joseph Martin, Wagon: To a Boat & some blacksmith repairs, and delivered: $10.00
2. Mrs Mitchell, Washing Bed. To a Boat Linen blanks repaired, and del: $4.00
3. Mrs Mitchell, Dressmaking: To a Lot of Linen & dressmaking Wright: To Cash in full for the use of Lot year, Dr Mrs Mitchell: Hoping this will be satisfactory, please send receipt amount, and subject to your approval: amount... $30.00

I remain that you will be pleased to grant this favour...

Respectfully Submitted...

Mrs Mitchell -

Mr. Thomas Mitchell.
Hunsdon & Mitchell,
Halifax 1st Feb.

Memo: for S. P. Bennet Esq
Fisheries Department.—
Ottawa, Ont.

I regret to add to my former Memo. to you!! that the storm of the 14th inst. has caused loss and damage to all the Lake Erie Gill net-fishermen! as already reported to you by me! here follows: what Capt. Thompson, Port Rowan states on the subject:— Yrs. Vs. J. W. Kerr, Jr.

Yours of 21st to hand, and in reply I am sorry to say I have had very bad luck.. I had only 2 days before the storm put a new net out and my other net only fished about 2 months before this season.. illy new net I never took a fish out of, but I think it stood the storm better than any at Port Rowan, it can be repaired, but it will not last as much as a New net, my other net I got

part of it, but what I got will not pay to fish.. I can tell you honestly that I have had a very poor season, late when I got in and early out makes it pretty hard, on old Capt.. Now about the Yours, they put in a new net the day before the storm and had got their other nets fixed up for the fall when the blow came on, and I dont think they will save from all their Leads, on 20. Rods, out of their 240 rods....

One of their Dills, (Pots) stood it pretty well, but their hearts and trunels is in such a mess that it is impossible to tell how bad they are, until they begin to fish up, but I fear they are in a very bad shape.. I am not going to buy and put any thing in this fall, but Young's think if they can get a net ready they will put one in but I am not sure of it yet. I think they lost fully 75% of their piles. I was not quite so

Allen: Sir I. O. Remembrances
Dickinson department.—
Athens, Oct.

I regret to have to my Friends
Allen, Sir yes!! what the others of
the 19th instant, has caused me not
answering to me the date thereof. Some
not. Gentlemen: an absence required
Sir yes for me! have Gentlemen: what
Sept. Champagne. But those attacks as
the enclosed: — (Sept. 8th. I. W. Hum. &c.

Flowers of 27th to those, and
as regards I am sorry to say I have had
many hard hours.. I have only I always
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about 2 months before this season.—
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the time come so, and I have think
they will have been one their [illegible]
30. Hum. not of their 2yo horses. ---

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well, but their hands our should is in not
a more that it is impossible to take him
hard they, so, such they begin to fix
up, but I am they are in a very bad
shape.. I am not going to try our
put my thing in this Gate, but Champagne
think if they can get a not really
they will put one in but I am not
sure of yet. I think they have pay
Sir yes of their Gate. I am not quite so

Hamilton, Ont.
30. October 1886.—

My dear Osgood! —

Will you be pleased to let me know as soon as convenient, how your Pet rat fishing game, during the same week of the 14th instant.— Please give me each gentleman's name you selected prior to Wheatley, together with box and average weight of each! Wire:

In haste Prince Arthur, Lands, Parks, Lands and Lands!— Waters, bags, and Number Ones.—

I hope you and Mrs Osgood are in the enjoyment of good health.— The fishing in Elgin District last — grand! ... Well warm and sincere regards,— Yours truly.—

J. H. Williams.—
Fishing Agent.

William Osgood Esqre
Farmington, Ont.

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Port Arthur, Ont.
Oct. 30, 1886.—

J. H. Kerr Esqre
&c. &c. &c.
Hamilton! —

Dear Sir:

Yours respectfully.—
Thomas Hooper,

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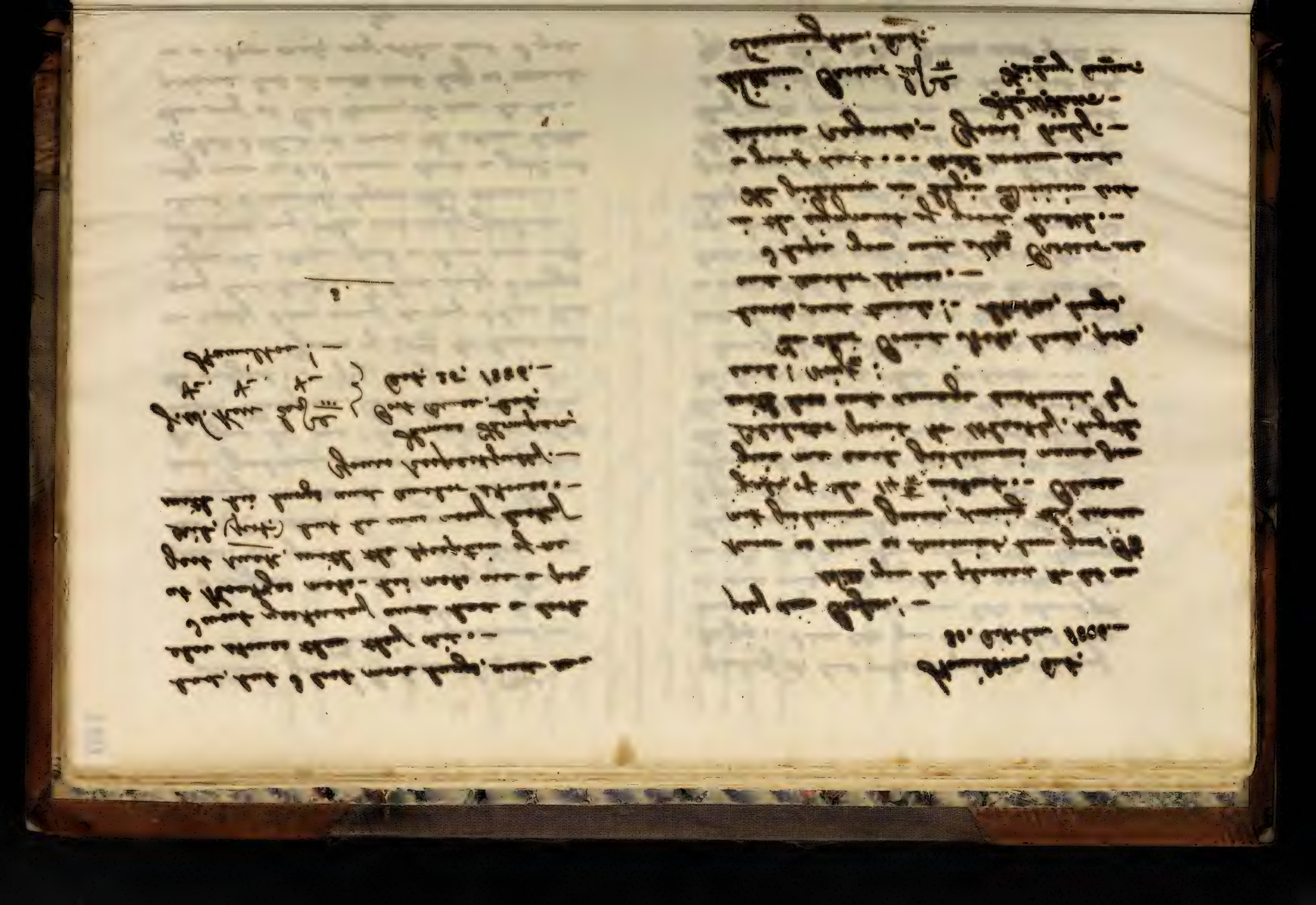
had, but I lost more bags, and more other stones than they did.—

I went yesterday and had a look at Rooters nets.— his nets are a perfect wreck, with the exception of one Pike, (pot.) but he was very lucky with his bags and number stones.—



Hamilton, Ont.,—
27. October 1886.—

Sir,

I have to report to you, that it is the intention of the Fishermen on Lake Huron, for to fish for Trout and White fish, in Georgian Bay, and Lake Huron; during "Close season",— which comprises the whole month of November.—

The writer of the attached letter (Copy,) is an extensive Fish Buyer, at Wiarton! for a Buffalo firm! who employ James McK and James Clark as their Agents at Wiarton: and where they usually put up in their Freezer at Wiarton from 75 Tons of fish to 100 Tons of fish for their Employers every year.... I am perfectly satisfied in my mind that the information contained in the McKay's letter to me is true and correct; and I recommend that active action be taken to capture the persons, nets and boats illegally in use fishing and catching Trout and White fish, in Contravention of the Fisheries Act during "Close season".-- Overseer, A. C. McKinnon, Goderich, is a good man, but, when he catches them once, let him keep at it, and he can catch them six or eight times breaking the law: for it pays the fishermen who break the fishing law and half a dozen of fines, and confiscations will alone stop it effectually.... McKay, approves of the "close season",— and praises it, and I feel much pleased at this.... Between the fishing Islands and Tobermorray- will require very close looking after.... For! from Mr. McDougall

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa! Ont. } 1.

Hamilton, Ont.,

Sir: 27, October 1886.

I have to report to you, that it is the intention of the Fishermen on Lake Huron, for to fish for Trout and White fish, in Georgian Bay, near Lake Huron; during these seasons, which comprises the whole month of November.

The writer of the enclosed letter (copy) is an extensive Fish Dealer, at Hamilton! for a Supply; you: who supply Houses all over, and Houses that as their Agents at Hamilton: and unless they usually put up in their Storage at Hamilton from 75 to 100 Tons of fish for their Supplyers every year ... I am perfectly satisfied in my mind that the information contained in all these letter to me is true and correct; and I recommend that entire action be taken to compel the persons, who are found guilty of supplying and retaining Trout and White fish, in contravention of the Fisheries Act during these seasons". - Because, Q. C. McMichael, Gardenit is a good man, but when he retains them once let him keep at it, and be one Rotten, tip a Sight time treating the law: for it pays the Fishermen who break the Fishery law and half a dozen of times, and Confiscation will alone stop this Practice ... McMichael appears to the Fishermen "- and provide it, and I feel much pleased at this ... Between the Fishing Schooks and Steamers will require very close watching again ... Mr. Brown will be Fishery Officer

The Commissioner,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa! Ont.

White fish Island, — to Tobermorray, "amongst the several other Islands" — illegal fishing is annually, extensively carried on during the "close season" — Mr James Muir's successor, I hope will prove himself an efficient officer....

Now with regard to that part of Mr James McKay's letter, respecting — Mr Dutosh's "Fish House" on Meaford wharf, I dont think Overseer George S. Miller, of Owen Sound, is sufficiently active to capture Mr McDutosh, and Collingwood and Meaford, — fishermen... Mr Miller, allowed these fishermen, to slip through his fingers with Trout and White fish, in their possession both at Meaford and Thornbury, during "Close season" — * — I do not entertain unkind feelings towards * George S. Miller; but it is high time to put a great stop to contentions of the fishermen that, during a "close season" — so highly approved of by James McKay, of Wiarton...

* about 4. years ago! —

There is no fisherman, in my Hamilton Division of Lake Ontario, will fish for Trout or White fish, during the month of November, "Close season" — they would not do it and why not, Overseer George S. Miller? make fishermen — do the same thing in Georgian Bay....

Respectfully Submitted. —

John Kerr
Fishery Overseer.

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Light first created. — The Commencement, strongly the second other created." Adopted finding as summarily, extraordinary manner on claiming the "Two senses". — Why James allows i. Consequently, I hope will prove himself an efficient officer. — —

Now with respect to that part of Mr James letter, respecting Mr Lucock's "First Chapter" as appears evidently that Everson forge it. If Gen. Clement is sufficiently certain to support Mr Lucock, and believing most and appear, — Jackson — Mr Miller, allowed this Jackson, he also taking it his fingers with that and light first, in their possession both of appear and Chemistry, claiming "Two senses". If he not extracts sufficient falling towards forge Miller; but as light time to put a period also to contradictions of the first such act, claiming "Two senses" as highly of present of his James Mr Key of Liverpool. — —

Then is no Jackson, in my Chemistry Minister of state Extract, with first for Chart — light first, claiming the month of November, "Two senses"; they would not be in most very not Everson, forge Miller; or the same [illegible] Jackson. — —

Mr Miller
"Two senses"

Note ✱ Open page!

Mem: for S. P. Bennet Esqre
Fisheries department.—
Ottawa! Ont.—

Key report I sent to the Deputy Minister, to day! you will find herewith the copy of a letter from James McKay of Wiarton, Georgian Bay,—praising you "Close season"!— for white fish and Trout.

I wish you would give me a Tag during "Close season"!— and I could catch and clean out all these Law breakers referred to.— about all the fish of Meaford,— Miller— wont care to catch him.— Last November, in Colpoy's Bay,— when John S. Allan, was catching Trout for the spawn, for Charley Wilmot,— I wrote Curtis of Owen Sound, for some information I wanted him to find out,— for you, Curtis getting sick at the time, gave my letter to Conner Miller, who, by your instructions was ordered away to Colpoy's Bay!— and I suppose Miller showed my letter to young Wilmot.— Well, I dont mind that!—

When do you employ this gear, to procure Trout and White fish eggs, and spawn?—

About the Hamilton Game club, I never hear a word about them!— At the time of that Lucker trial, and during the last Session of Parliament they wrote lies about me to the M. P^s^. and published lies in the "Hamilton Spectator," about me, I saw the Editor, and I give him a bit of my mind about the fish Game club, and I have never heard any more about them since.

About a month ago, I met Esq. J. P. Reilly Esqre deputy Minister in Chancery,— a member of the Game club, who told me, the Deputy Minister had to—read a letter, which he saw, giving

back for the last fine = $25 – to the Wm Campbell's, deceased – family. – Is this true?! – I never heard any thing from any one else about this. – It would be an act of Justice to give back the 25 dollars to the Campbell's family. –

The wanton News paper attack made on me, heart them! for no man believes them: besides the Grit Newspaper, the Hamilton Times! altho' repeatedly asked, refused to write any thing agt me! – It is pleasant for you to read Mr. Kay's letter, in which he speaks so highly – of your "Close season". –

I hope you will adopt some strong measure to stop this "Close season" – destruction of Trout and white fish. – and stamp it out for ever. –

Dear believe me, Yours Resp.y

Hamilton, Ont. 27. Oct. 1886. – John W. Kerr – J. O. –

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Hamilton, Ont.
27. Oct. 1886. –

My dear Redhead. –

I have had a letter, from friend Joe Masters, offering me $15.00 cash, for the skiff; – I have written him on the matter and I said to him I had left the sale of the skiff in your hands – and whatever you done I would be satisfied. – I advised Masters to go and see you! then if you sell him the skiff well and good, pay your self, whatever I owe you, and you can remit to me the balance. –

With kind and warm regards,

Yours Sincerely; –

John Redhead Esq.re – John W. Kerr –
Boat Builder, J. O. –
Niagara, On the Lake!
Ont. –

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Hamilton, Ont.

My dear Sir.— 27. October 1886.—

Your's of the 28th inst. received, with enclosure of $6.— licence fee for 1886. and for which I thank you; I have sent it with other monies to the Fisheries department, Ottawa.— With reference to the skiff, when I was last at Niagara, Mr John Redhead asked me if I would sell the skiff and put a price on it.— I said yes! and whatever price he would put on it, I would be satisfied! I will write to him on the subject, and you call and see him; and whatever you and he agree upon I will be satisfied. I am sorry to hear fishing has been so very poor of late in Niagara. When Black Keith was living on the Ferry property before, he cut

down several fruit trees, and I was told sold them to Jimmy Doyle, for whiskey.— One cherry tree, some year he cut them down, I got $6.85¢. for the Cherries on it from Dolan.— Black, certainly must be cheaky! he owes me rent, and I dont feel disposed to rent — for I am satisfied I can use it to advantage next season!.— ~~Self~~ ~~suggest~~ ~~it all depends on~~ You see Black to him, and if you agree, pay him said $ price you may agree on — to him and I can fix up matters afterwards.—

I hope you are well, I hope you will make some money at the Ferry. I always like to see you do well.—

And with warm and kind regards believe me: Yours truly,

Joseph Masters Esq.
Niagara, Ont.

Hamilton, Dak.

My dear Sir, — 27. October 1886. —

Yours of the 23rd instant received, with enclosure of £5. Leases for for 1886, and for which I thank you; I have sent it with other moneys to the Finance Department, Ottawa. —

With reference to the Bishop, who I was last at Kingston, [illegible] Cardinal — rather me if I would take the Bishop and put a point on it. — I said yes! and whether I think he would put me in it, [illegible] satisfied! I will write to him on the subject and you can see him; and whether you and he agree upon I will be satisfied. I am sorry to have gotten the boy so out of date in Kingston.

When Robert Bleakly was living on the Front property before he sold

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above described Point Iroquois, and then [illegible] to finishing Bogle's building. The Chief tells, same year he sold them above, I get $6.87½. So the Chiefs so it goes. Other. — Albert, certainly must be absolutely sure we have, and I don't feel inclined to have — for I am satisfied I can use it to advantage next year. —

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Give my [illegible], and if you agree, just do! It gives you many reasons and with and I am yours matters affectionately. —

I hope you are well, I hope you will make some money, at the [illegible] I always felt it as you do well. —

But with warm and friendly regards believe me:

Yours [illegible]

Joseph Wheeler Esq.
Kingston. — Ont.

Wm. H. Emery Esq. &c.
Merchant,
Port Burwell, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.—
28. October 1886.—

My dear Mr. Emery.—

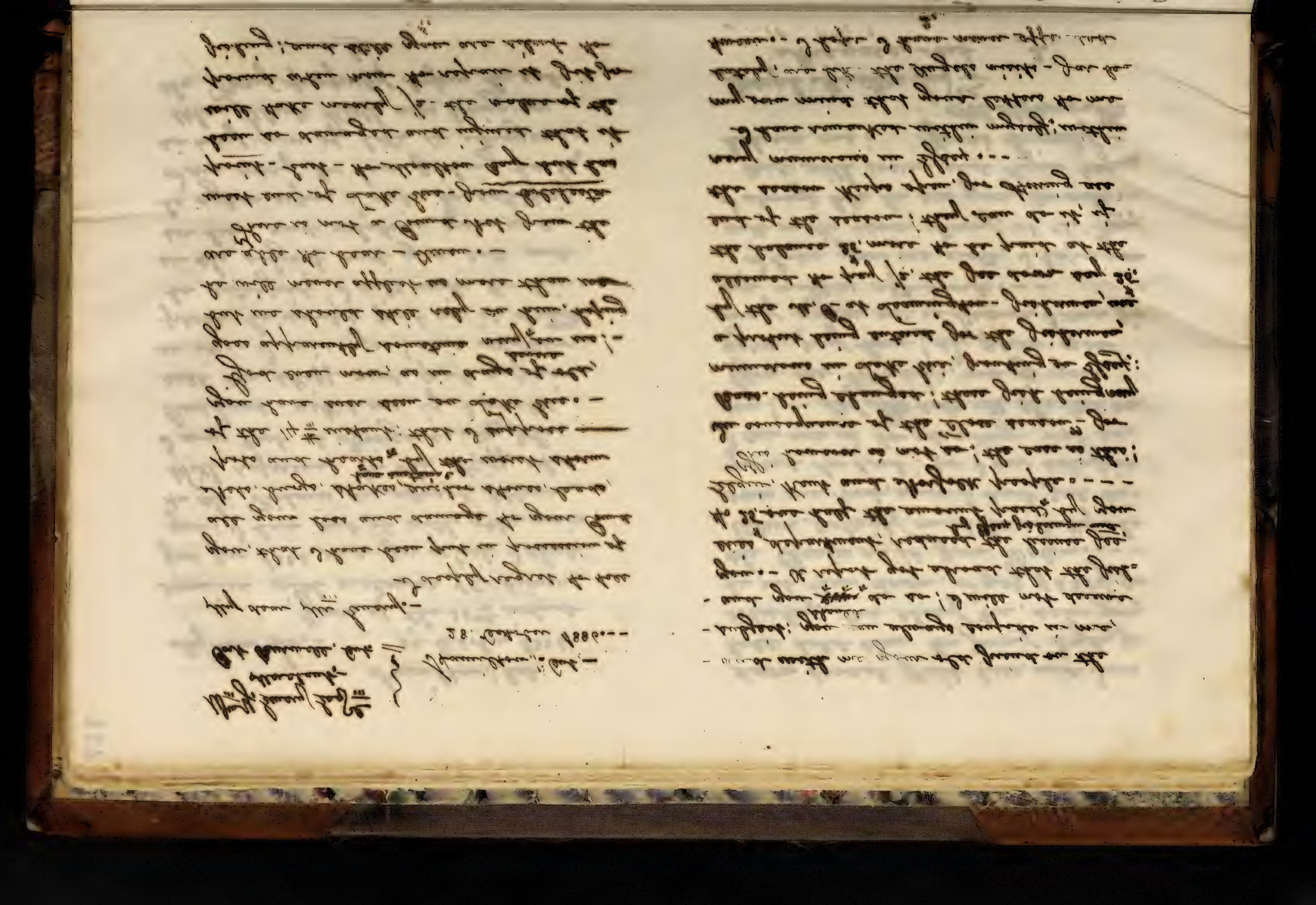
I deeply regret to tell you, that I have been put in possession of all your loss and damage to your Pound Nets, buoys, stakes, anchor stones, leads, pots and hearts, by the worst storm of the 14th instant; that I suppose —— you have ever seen on Lake Erie.—

God even now, as in days of old, goes apparently sometimes very severe on us!— but we should still rely on him, hoping he will never afflict us more than we are able to bear — Amen.—

There is not a Pound Net from the west end of Lake Erie — from Colchester point — East — to Moulton Bay but has been so damaged and injured that it will take nearly ½ the value of the pound when new to repair it. Fit for fishing! and still you are silent to me — d with m[illegible] our old friend on the subject; you [illegible] always confide in me, and you should do so! I will not deceive you.— A report got abroad that the Fisheries department, reduced the license fee to 25, one half the amount paid by you Elgin, Kent and Norfolk people.— — —

This however is not so! the case is this! In consequence of the "Close season" for Bass being changed! these fish being very numerous in Lake Erie, frauting on Ysey: a protest being entered for the fishermen, by the M. P. at Leamington — fishermen, were allowed to pay ½, the fee down say 25, the balance 25, more to be paid at the end of the season! they can do it, if the season keeps open, for Herring are very numerous in Ysey...

I have remarked within myself; within my own mind that your letters to me lately, are like the Angels visits — far between.— I hope I have never offe[illegible] last



- you by any act of mine.... Since you
- ceased writing! it has repeatedly come in to
- my mind! when thinking over your absence the
following little Irish ditty.—

I may tell you that the Robin in Ireland is a very familiar bird, a splendid singer, and will when hard pressed with hunger enter the houses in hard and severe weather!— God bless you! The ditty runs thus:

"Oh where are you going sweet Robin!
What makes you so proud and so shy!
I once saw the day little Robbin.—
"Thy friendship you would not deny."—

I will have to advise you as I did Mr. W. Hastings, at present City Engineer Hamilton.— When Hastings first came to Canada, after paying £300. in Dublin to learn Civil Engineering; he came to Hamilton, and in to the office of the G. W. Railway, where I was 1st Clerk to the Engineer staff;— his brother owns an Estate next to Carew this day in the County Wicklow, Ireland.

Now

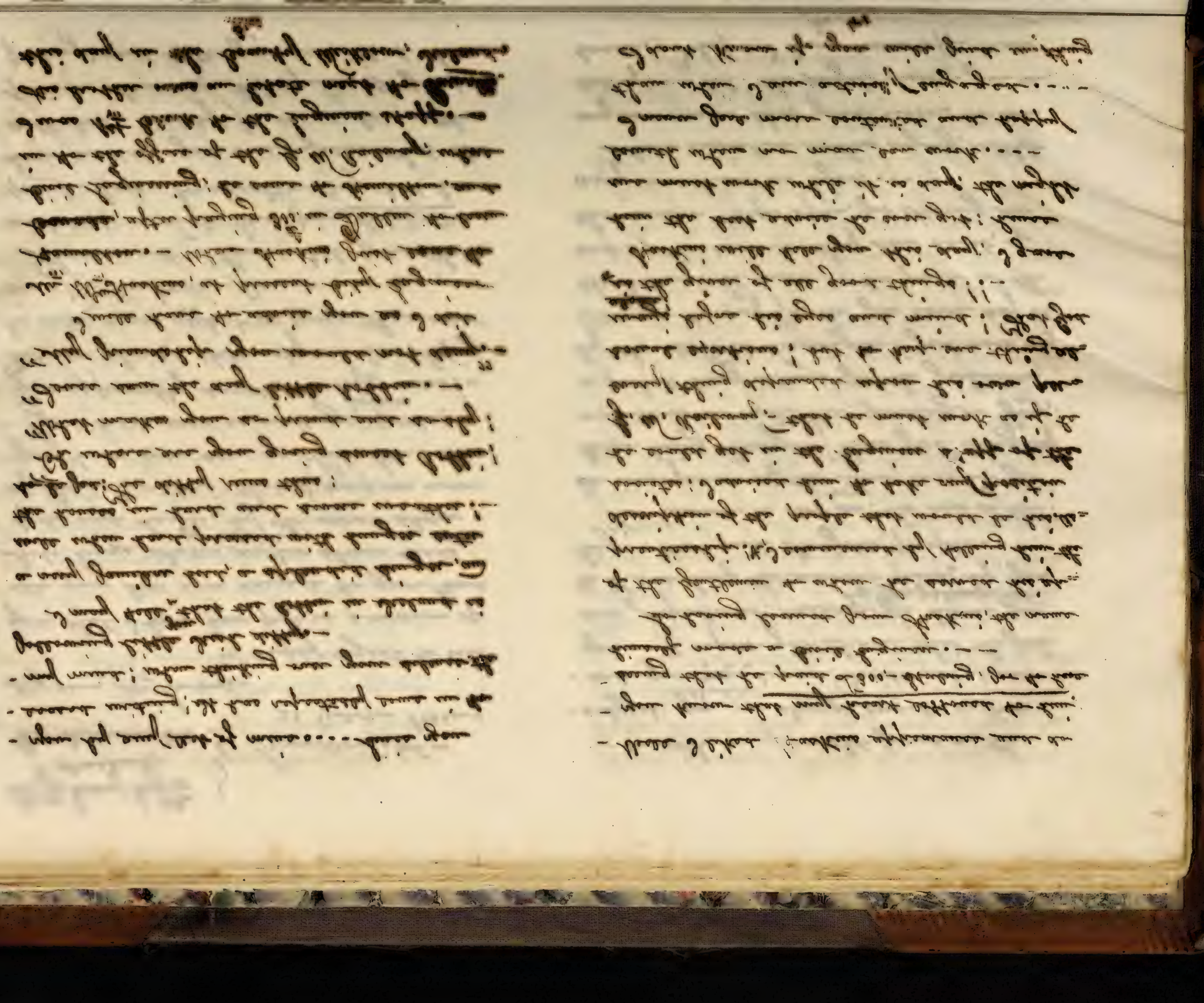
- Uncle I liked Hastings appearance and do
- you know that my heart yearned to him
- seeing that he paid £300,- Sterling, for to have
himself made a Civil Engineer.— —

So having learned your Hastings, the name of the Gentleman to whom he served his apprenticeship!!, I commenced by telling him the description of the people that would be his associates; I advised him to take any position he could get in the Engineer staff of the G. W. Railway,— that he must work as if he every thing depended upon his own personal exertions! but to keep one thing always before his eyes and mind! That God alone is the giver of all good things!!..

Hastings will tell you this day, I gave him the best advice he ever got: hence we must work while it is day, the night cometh when no man can work....

I never felt more contented and happy than when I am actively engaged....

I dont know if you will find anything



Copy.–

Ottawa,
27. October 1886.–

Sir,

Having reference to your letter of 21st inst., I am to inform you that the Minister has upon your recommendation authorized the giving up of J. A. Jones bond and note.–

I am, Sir,
Your Obedient Servt,
John Tilton.–
Deputy Minister of Justice

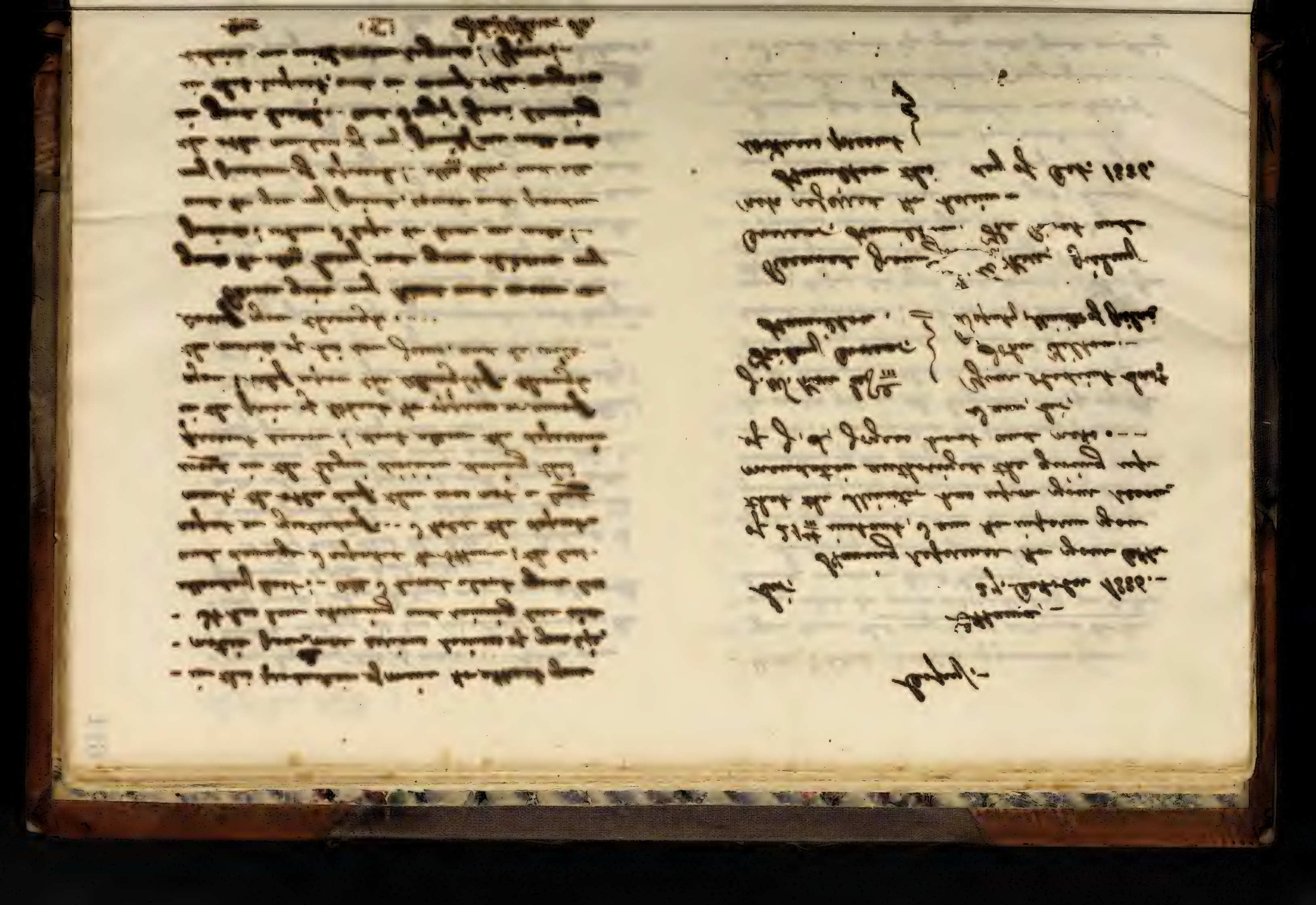
J. W. Kerr Esq.
Gaoler,
Hamilton.

Received from J. W. Kerr, Gaoler Carnegie, Hamilton. The Bond and note referred to herein.–

Hamilton this day of Oct. 1886.
Witness present

– in the production of mine to attract your
– notice for some serious business of your life.
– It has been strange and cutting how the
attendant hint:– All I have dared upon has
made damage I reported to Ottawa; the last
report on yesterday.– I told the department,
the other day, there was not a single
cent in the legal division during the
present season! And then the expense
in the price of Wheat to appear on account
you rely upon the Almighty. Through
the merits of his son Jesus, and he will
carry you through.–

Then give my kind and warm re-
gards to Mrs Kerr and your children my
friends! when I hope to have an invitation
and to see my friends, spare and permit
my presence of speech! May God, and all
the other members of my family, be with me
in your house.– and I rejoice this morning
in this respect, and in many other respects
which are with warm regards! Yours–
Truly (Sd) John Tilton Esq.



Hamilton! Ont, -
29. Oct. 1886, -

My dear Sir. . .

On tuesday last I issued licenses to the Fishermen at Bronte, from the Fisheries department, for to fish gill nets in Lake Ontario, fronting on the Townships of Nelson, and Trafalgar. - Today I have had Complaint lodged against Bronte fishermen; for fishing in Lake Ontario fronting on Port Credit, and even East of Pt Credit . . . .

This place was rented last spring and a large license fee paid to the department at the time. - Will you please inform Bronte fishermen, to fish on their own ground, and at same time tell them to pay up their license fees immediately and you call on them for to do so at once. - If they want their Territory extended they must first pay up license fees then apply - and obtain the sanction of the Fisheries department. . . .

Pickard and Ben: Doland have paid me but not one of the rest of these worthy men. . . . They must not go outside of their fishing limits - until I get the sanction of the department for them to do so. - Tell them my wish is. that they do as I suggest. . .

I recommended that Jas L. Joyce, have his Boat and net, restored to him, that were confiscated by Jas: Cahill Esq. J. P. - and I now send you copy of Order to the effect, please hand it to Mr Jas: L. Joyce from me. -

With Kind regards to Mrs Pollock, & believe me - Yours fraternally
Mr Wm D. Pollock, - John W. Kerr.
Bronte, Ont 2, F.O. -

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Private and Confidential!

Hamilton! Ont. —
29. October 1886.—

My dear Mr Emery.—

Since I wrote you on yesterday.. I had a Memorandum from Ottawa; from our friend Mr Bennet of the Fisheries department. — Of course I may tell you, that I was made aware of your loss and damage by the severe storm of the 14th instant.— And as my feelings will always turn up towards you and your good kind family.— You have always the best of my nature in sympathy with you; I wrote the department, telling the losses you had sustained; and here follows: the reply I received.— It will be satisfactory, for you to read the copy, —

"I am indeed sorry for all the misfortunes which have befallen my friend

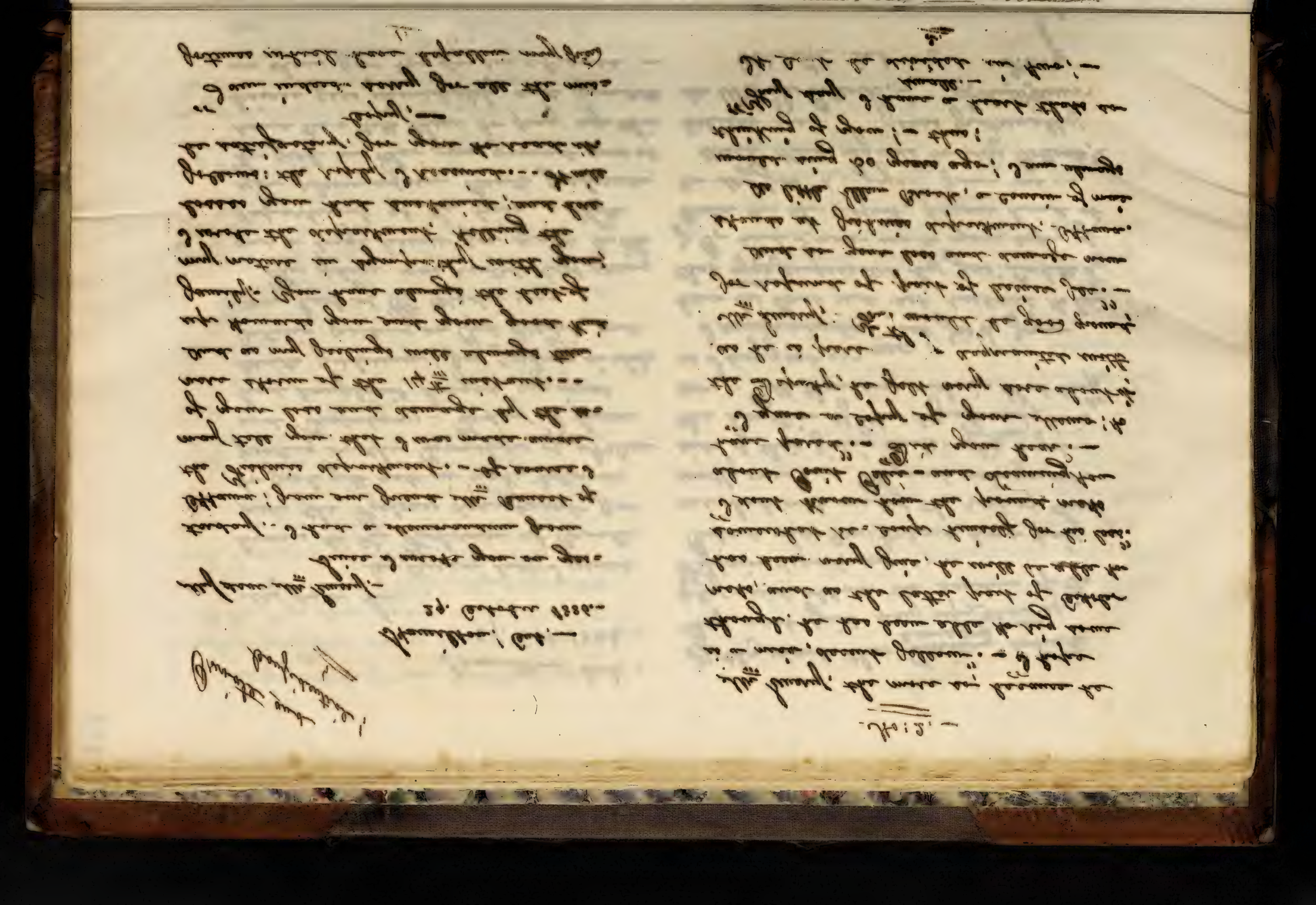
Mr Emery, the more so, because he is a nice, decent fellow". — "I hope though, he has been able to rig some nets, and as the latter part of October has been very fine, he will be able to somewhat re-coup himself for his loss". "I dont know how the pound nets about Point Pelee — and Leamington have fared". — "Did you hear? —

"I gave a copy of your Memo: to the Deputy, he felt very sore about it, as he is free [illegible] disappointed with Mr Emery; "It would be good ground for refund of part of licence fee". —

And so your loss and damage now stands at Fisheries department, Ottawa.

As little Ellen Brook, a cousin of mine would sing 60 years ago; I am always thinking of you! — thus:

"They say I have a heart that's so small. —
It can't be divided in two; —



But Johnny then shall hear it all.—
For I am always thinking of you!"—
And so it is — we should never
forget our friends. — It is an great
pleasure to me to know that you
stand well at Head Quarters. —
You will conquer still, and again and
again! — Keep this matter to yourself,
except Mrs Henry, tell no one not
even your Pa, Ma & sisters. —

I am always prepared to do the
decent thing for you. — I will come
up soon. — And with kind and
warm regards, — Believe me always
Yours Sincerely. —
J. Hill Fisher Esq.

Wm Henry Esq.
Merchant,
Pt Burwell.

P.S. All well, Kindly re-
member me to Mrs Henry and your
children! J. H. Fisher — Do

Hamilton; Ont.—
Thursday Morning. — 10. October 1864.—

Will you be pleased to
let me know as soon as convenient,
how your Bond stands, fisherman fund
during the great gale of the 14th
instant... Will you be pleased to
give me each fisherman name
for Wholly to blow back, to-
gether with the loss and damage
sustained by fresh! — Wife!

To their Bond stands, heads, fol-
lows and friends: — — — —

Hoping hoping and another chance.
I hope you are well, I am in
very good health! nearly every
Bond Net, has been destroyed in
my division of Lake....

With my warm and sincere
regards! believe me, Yours sincerely.—
Hamilton Esq. J. Hill Fisher.—
Blenheim, Ont. J. Fisher.—

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Copy!—

J. W. Kean Esqre
Overseer of Algin
Fishery Division!.

Port Stanley.
October, 25. 1886.—

Dear Sir,—

As I have a little time to spare to-day I thought I would inform you of the terrible gale of wind which passed over this place on Thursday the 14th instant, and swept every net from their stakes, along your division. There is no doubt but every fisherman along this shore suffered a severe loss.— I had to grapple for the most of my Twine, and then I did not get near all my Twine.— My loss at the least calculation will be over of $1,000,— and I understand Mr John Muir — sustained a similar loss.— You will understand that I have done good work, and my grounds to-day from this shore, and my tie buys and anchor stones, are pretty much lost.— I put my whole force on, and got one net out on Thursday last, and two on Saturday last, including driving what stakes were thrown out, and I have one more ready to go out on Tomorrow; weather permitting.— As you see I have lost no time.— Trusting your health is good, and hoping your health may long be spared; to assist me in the future as well as the past.—

I remain, Dear Sir,—
Your Obedient Servant,
John Ellison, Jr.

Mr Kean.—

John Ellison Jr. is as decent a man as I have ever met on Lake Erie! "Mr Lacey always excepted;" he is a sound Conservative, and so are his brothers, 6 of them! same as their father, Major Ellison — was and is. they all support Sir John's Government.

Yours respectfully,— J. Ellison Jr.

Copy:-

J. M. Mason Esq.
Secretary of Legation
Peking China.

Port Arthur,
October 26. 1886.-

Sir:-

I have the honor to inform
you of the terrible death of another subject
of the Celestial Empire which occurred on
the evening of the 14th instant and except
every not from this statement along your dominions
there is no doubt but every precaution among this
place suppose a same here.- I feel to grapple
for the most of my illness, and then I did not
more all my illness.- My loss at the least dollar
dollars would be over $1,000.- and I understand
the Yoh Chuo. Instead a similar loss.- Now
will understand that I have done great work
and my patients to go every point this time
here, and my life hope and bright future,
quickly must last.- I put my whole heart in
it we not out in Chinese but said this in
Chinese but including giving what others are then
out and I have are more ready to go out in
morning; another punishing.- I go see I have
lost in time.- Thanking your health is good, and
hoping your health may long be spared; I remain
ever in the future as could in the past.---

I remain, Sir:-
Your Obedient Servant.
Yeh Chuen.

Yeh Chuen.

Yeh Chuen is a servant - man and
have our not in Chinese. "The heavy calamity
expected" he is a great Chinaman, and in
his letters, I of Chinese have in their letter, they
Chinese - man and, they will support his family
the respectfully.- Yeh Chuen

Copy!—

J. W. Kerr Esqre — Port Stanley.—
Hamilton; Ont,— October. 27.— 1866.—

Dear Sir.—

Captain Ellis delivered your message... I am sorry you could not be here to see the effects of the recent gale upon our nets... I cannot describe the destruction, suffice it to say it was difficult to make one net out of our five... A good part of the twine I did not get, the leads being lost off the east nets, entirely... I have managed to put one net out, the majority of it being twine, I bought for next spring fishing, and intended to keep my men working at home during the winter.—

My loss estimated by Mr. H. Payne,— who is superintendent and my partner at $1000,— thousand dollars, would I am convinced fall short of the amount were a detailed account made of every thing... I think the Department would do an act of Charity, to make a rebate for losses or some tangible recognition of our loss.—

I hope you will be able to get and look as well as when I last saw you, and would wish you to visit us!... Papa is remarkably well.—

Believe me, Sir,—
Your Obedient Servant,—
Jno: Price.—

Mr. Barnett,—

Mr. John Price— is the son of Samuel Price Esq. of Port Stanley,— he is a student there, doing a profitable business... They are sound Conservatives and warm supporters of the present Administration... Sam: Price Esq. was for Parliament, and was defeated! please wait for my final report— before you consider the Port Stanley losses!— Yours respectfully,— J. W. Kerr

Sept. 1.—

J. W. Van Zandt — Fort Atkinson.—
Hamilton: Sept. — Saturday, Sept. 1868.—

Dear Sir.—

Napoleon Bliss declined your message... I am sorry you could not do him to see the effects of the recent gale upon our nets... I cannot describe the destruction, suffice it to say it was difficult to make an net out of our fine... A good part of the fishing I did not get, the lands being lost off the best nets entirely... I have managed to put one net out, the majority of it being fine, I hope it may require fishing, and intended to try my fortune mending at dusting the winter.—

My love entirely by wife, Byron, who is quite recent and my grandmother at Hill. Tomorrow Indians, people I am convinced had taken of the recent news a distinct account made of my fishing... I think the department would do no harm by claiming, it made a return for business a very thoughtful recognition of our loss.—

I hope you continue to good cheer but as we are in the I last see you, and would wish you to visit us.. Hope to hear from well.—

Believe me, Sir,—

Your Obedient Servant.—

Jno: Bliss.—

Hon. Wm. Van Zandt.—

Fort Atkinson.—

Dear Sir.— In the case of Samuel Bliss by the Fort Atkinson.— He is a deserving young & perfect alle business.— That we cannot consistently and consume supports of the present Administration.— Jno: Bliss by — Our Government, and was defeated! Please write by mail point. Hope you consider the Fort Atkinson Issue!— Yours respectfully— William &c.

Hamilton, Ont.
30. October 1886.—

Memo: for A. P. Ramsay Esq.
Fisheries department.—
Ottawa, Ont.—

I send you two letters more from Port Stanley,— by which you will see the sad havoc made on the Lake shore— there! however do nothing till I make a general report for you of the entire of the Legislative Division.— I will sum up these report next week— as the session is sure to come in next Monday; I must be on the alert.—

I have heard nothing from Point Pelee, Pelee Island, Leamington— or Kent! nor yet from Stoney Creek.— But I will do so for you!— Meanwhile, and all Circulars, I presume will let me know!— It's Lung, of Eagle in the fish place with me! I fear the destruction is general all over! from Port Colborne

in Huron, to the Lower Counties— Mention Bay,— Country of Mensch!—

Now as regards the fishing business in Lake Huron, during Close season, I know the very place for the fish to take their spawning, when you say so!— It must be to go by way Southampton; the approach must be made from Kincardine... Hugh Jones Black, and James McKay, of Kincardine, have not fished illegally— I was told today on Lucknow Road, by Mr. Hockey, Mr. Black's partner— [illegible] Hockey— He did not approve I fished up there and he knows it.— When Close season is strictly every day.—

The fishermen who fish during the close season are poor,— they are making themselves poor, by the course they are pursuing, fishing in close season.— There is a fish Tug at present owned by Charles Bonnell, of Hamilton, at Stokes Bay,— needs

this Bay is to be employed for carrying the fish to the Cure Factories at Southampton....

I dont think it is necessary for me to tell you any more, to capture this Bay with 20 lbs of Trout and white fish on Argus, would have a great effect on all Law breakers.

George Bailey is at Stokes Bay, getting out 22,000 for the G.N. Railway, landing them at Southampton! and in the same way he can bring down the fish during the close season.— The foregoing added to James McKay's letter already sent you tells the tale....

Yours respectfully
John Wilson P.C.

Hamilton, Ont:—
1st November 1886....

My dear Sir,—

Yours of 27th of October, has been received; and I have laid a copy of the same before the Fisheries department, Ottawa; for hearing from there, the result of your communication. I will advise you.... I am proud to have a person of your knowledge and experience approve of the present "Close season;" and in justice to you, I have drawn the attention of the Deputy Minister to what you have said in approval of same; for the information your letter contains to myself individually. I thank you sincerely....

If ordered, I am prepared and know exactly where to go, and catch them every one! please write again.—

James McKay Esq. Jr.
The Grange. Ve.
Ulverston.— Ont.

Yours sincerely,
John Wilson
Fishery Overseer.

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Hamilton: Ont. –
31st October 1886. –

My dear Allan! –

Will you be pleased to furnish me with the loss and destruction to your Pound nets, "give the number" hearts, tunnels and leads; also to the pots, stakes, buoys, and anchor stones: – caused by the severe storm of the 14th instant: in L. Erie!

In Elgin division of Lake Erie; almost every in the shape of Pd nets, has been seriously damaged and a total loss. –

Your compliance will much oblige, and with kind regards! to you and yours: – believe me!

Yours fraternally. –
John W. Kerr. –
F.C. –

John S. Allan Esq.
Port Dover, or to
Wm. Allan Esq.
Stanbridge – Ont.

P.S.
Please give a date

31st October 1886. –

My dear Ansley. – –

Will you be plea[illegible] to furnish me with the loss and destru[illegible] to your Pound nets "give the number" hearts, tunnels and leads; also to the stakes, buoys and [illegible] anchors; caused by the severe storm of the 14th instant in L. Erie. – Kindly. How many pounds [illegible]

In Elgin Division of Lake Erie; almost every thing in the shape of Pd nets is damaged injured and lost. Your compliance will much oblige; And [illegible] my Kind and [illegible] regards [illegible] you and Yours. – Believe me! –

Yours fraternally. –
John W. Kerr.
Fishery Commr.

H. W. Ansley Esq.
Port [illegible]

P.S. Please [illegible] a [illegible] date.
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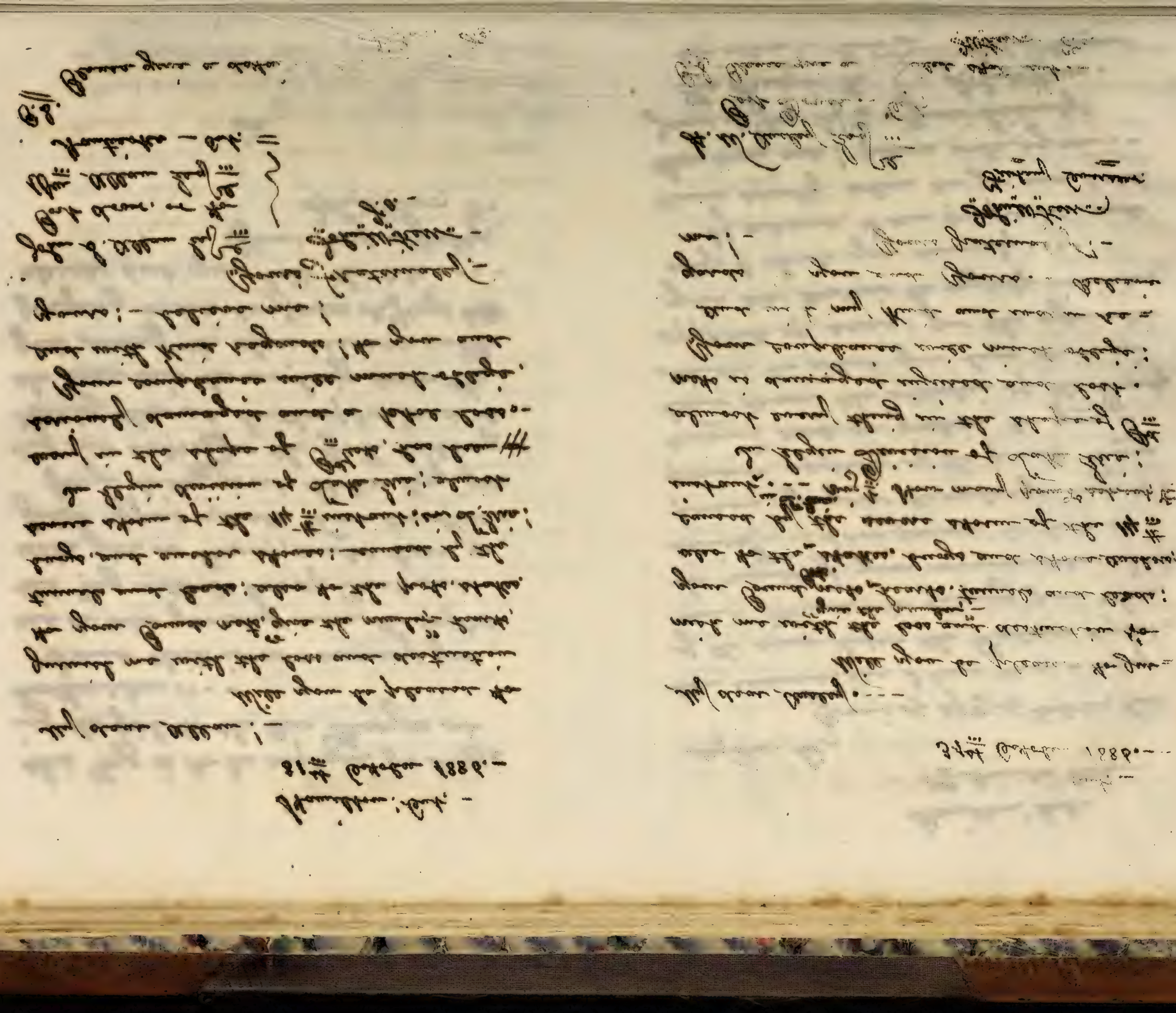

Hamilton! Ont.—
31st October 1886.—

My dear Swartz.—

Will you be pleased to furnish me with the loss and damage to your Bound Note, "give the number"— hearth, pots, timnals and lands; shutters, buoys and anchor stones; caused by the severe storm of the 14th instant on Lake Erie.—

Your compliance will much oblige! and with warm regards believe me!

Yours Sincerely.—
John Kew
Fishery Overseer.

Dennis Swartz Esq.
Sandusk fishery—
Selkirk. Post office!—

—Ont.

P.S.

Please give detailed statement.— J.K.— F.O.

Hamilton! Ont.—
31st October 1886.—

My dear Plattsburgh!—

Will you be pleased to furnish me with the loss and damage to your Bound Note "give number at Burlington, and Horse Shoe Harbour"— hearth, pots, timnals and lands!— shutters, buoys, and anchor stones; caused by the severe storm of the 14th instant, on Lake Erie.—

Your compliance will much oblige! and with warm regards!—

Yours Sincerely.—
John Kew
Fishery Overseer.

Abraham Morse Esq.
Plattsburgh!—
Selkirk Post office.

P.S. Please give a detailed statement.—
J.K.— F.O.

Hamilton! Ont.—
30. October 1886.—

Sir.—

I received the enclosed from Mr. D. W. Port, and Bro.—"Extensive Fish dealers.—Toronto," enclosing Circular "Copy." of yours; and I submit to you the same together with Mr. D. W. Port's letter to me of 27th instant, for your information.

Will you be pleased to let me know, if I shall tell Mr. Port, to carry out your order, as set forth in your letter of 28th of October 1886.—

Respectfully Submitted!—

I have the Honor to be,
Sir.—
Your Obedient Servant.—
John Wiser.—
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa! Ont.—

Hamilton! Ont.

Dear Sir — 30. October 1886.

I received the enclosure from Mr. G. W. Burt, and beg, pursuing this course, thereby enclosing business of yours; and I submit the same together with Mr. G. W. Burt's letter to me of 27th instant, for your information.

While you be pleased to let me know if I shall tell Mr. Burt to carry out your order, so that until in your letter of 28th of October 1886.

Respectfully submitted.

I have the honor to be
Sir —
Your obedient servant —
Chief Engineer.

The Deputy Minister
Department of Railways
Ottawa! Ont.

Private!

Hamilton, Ont.—
1st November 1886.—

My dear Mr. Emery.—

You may as well prepare a detailed statement of your losses for me and have it when I come up!..

Let it include the loss and destruction to your Pound nets, "giving the number" Pots, Hearts, Leads, Stakes, Buoys, and Anchor stones!..

It has taken 5 nets, in Pt. Stanley, reduced to shreds; by the storm—when manned with New Hands—to make one complete working or fishing Pound....

This was Mr. John Prices, misfortune!—Ellison, just as bad!!—however Ellison set his men to work and had all 5. Pounds fishing the following week.—

It is so strange, that you dont write me; I expect to be in Pt. Burwell, some

day this week; if not sent by the department some where else!—of course you are "Close season" for White fish and Trout commenced to day:— You can dispose of these fish, if caught legally, that you may now have in your Freezer at Burwell, and it will not be an offence against the law: Read section No: 11. of the Fisheries Act... Captain Dr. Tier, has made application for a license to fish fifty nets for Chubs and Herring in Lake Erie fronting on Pt. Burwell,— the grounds are all rented there already!!...

I am thank God well and I feel well; and Mrs. Kerr and family are in the enjoyment of good health.— I hope you, Mrs. Emery, and family are in the enjoyment of same blessing! Kindly remember me to all; and believe me as usual:... Yours Sincerely.—

Wm. H. Emery Esq.

John Kerr P.O.

Merchant— &c.

Chancellor!

Hamilton, Oct.—

4th November 1886.—

My dear old Henry.—

How many an merle frequence
a detailed statement of your losses for
we must have it when I come up!!!

Get it including the loss and destruction
to your House & furniture, giving the
number? Oh, Harris, dear, Harris, Hugo,
and Hunter whom!—

It has taken 3 weeks, in Hamilton, to
dress to shreds; but the storm — when
rounded with the thunder, he marks no
complete nothing or finding Home....

Oh, now old John Bull, magnificent!—
Illness, just as that!! Heavens Illness
let his man to work and has all 5
Hounds finishing the following week.—
It is so strange, that you dont write
me: I suppose he is in Mr Hammell, since

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[illegible] this week; if not sent by the ex=
pirtment home when else!—If service
you are, "Blue Ranger"? or "this girl and
what Commander to day:— You are ex=
pers of Ellen Jad, if sought lapsedly, the
you may never have in your Charge.
at Hamilt, but it will not be an offence
against the law: Dear Aston, yr: M.J.
the Chairman Ist... Dayton Mr Clerc
has made application for a license to sell
his meds for Barbers and throwing in clerk in
footing on Mr Hammell. the grounds are
all hunted thus already!!...

Dear Harris Jet well and I just write:
and why Hon. and family are in the
enjoyment of good health. — I hope
your, wife, Henry, and family are in
the enjoyment of same blessing: Kindly
remember me to all: and believe me as
usual... Always Sincerely.—

My, Henry Jay Mr Chancellor &c.

Hillsborough — &c.

Hamilton: Ont.
3. January 1886 –

My dear Sir. –

I got the lines you regarded to, but there is no bottom to it, it is not complete!.. when complete, I believe it a good line! but I prefer your own line finished up and packed with the bass dust; and complete with frames between; and the Canal sections above.. When these lines are placed in proper order as you have them in your Office, they are more, dispatch troublesome! and don't require to be moved round. I get the grounds of hay in the sections from your line. – Get out the 12 lines for me during the winter I have 8 good swarms, 3 in two-story hives!. – Remember me kindly to my friends! Yours employers, – and believe me Mr. Alex. Robertson. – Yours truly, –

Congratulations! Conf. C. B. – } J. Phillips Kew. J.P.

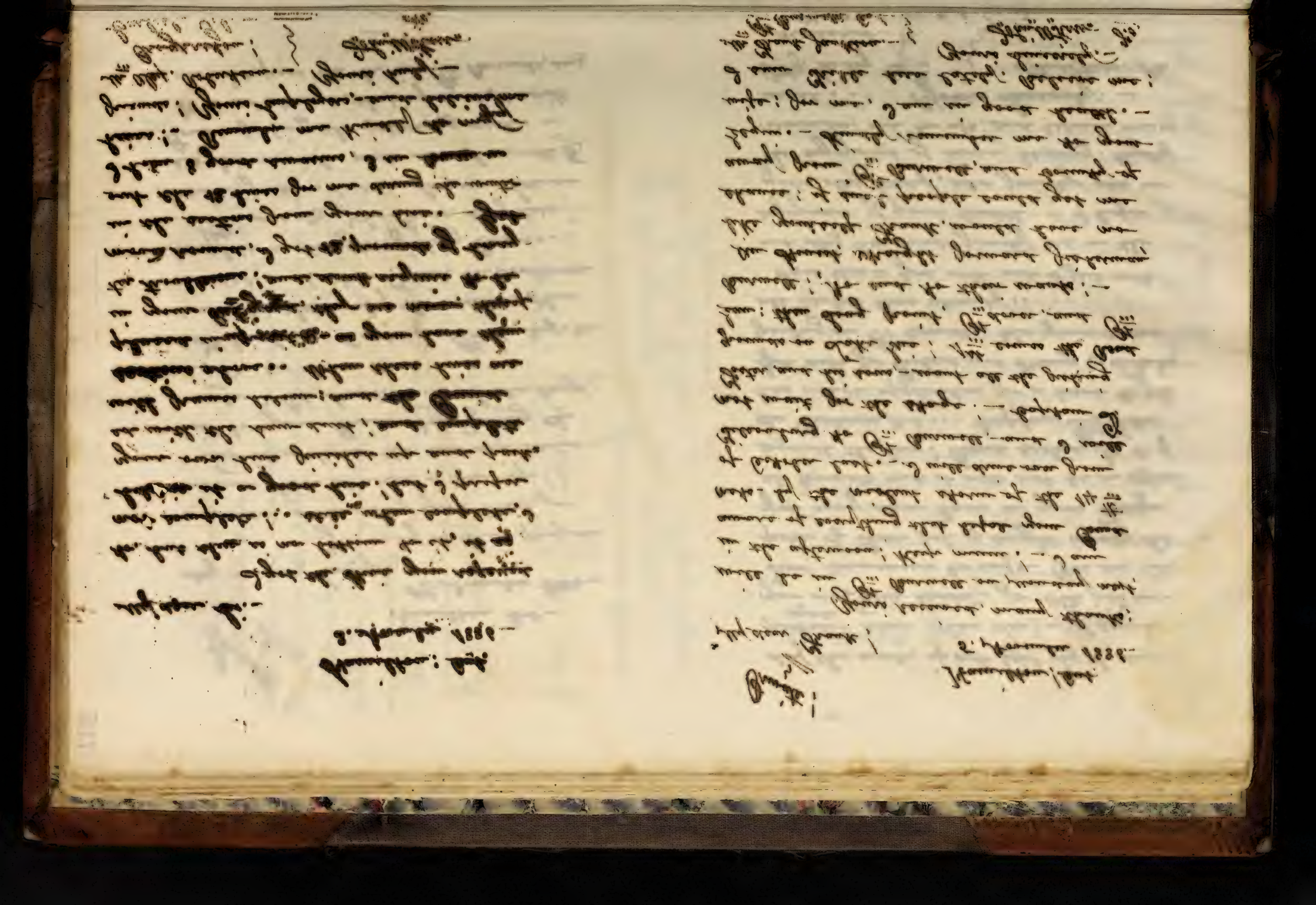
Private!

Hamilton! Ont.
5. November 1886. –

My dear Frank!

Yours received, many thanks; will be in Pt. Burwell on Sunday next, in the afternoon! Keep mum! – I am aware of everything that befell your Comrades – by the violent storm of the 14th of October last. – I will drive over from Tillsonburg to Pt. Burwell, – and I will not wait for the stage! – Captain D. Foster and his sons, – want all the fishing grounds on Lake Erie! 1st comes the Road Law: then Long point, Pt. Dover, and Pt. Burwell; No and to their wants! –

An Honest, straight forward fisherman, like yourself Frank, would have no chance: if such people could get me away from Pt. Burwell, and County of Elgin. – Kindly remember me to your wife; for me, I am in good health. – I saw Tribble here lately. Believe me; Mr. Frank Jackson. – Pt. Burwell Ont. } Yours sincerely, – J. Phillips Kew. J.P.



Hamilton, Ont.
4 November 1886.—

My Friends! —

You will find enclosed the Memorandum for Mr. Larkin.— When you get the thread, lines, corks and leads; set them at once and hang the nets.— Now as soon as the Boat House is built, I will come down first and inspect it: then I will get the Boat sent on the Cr. Credit.—

I forgot the Basket of Bass:— and only thought of them xxing the Credit Iron Bridge — I will send, or bring you down more Pike net:— and for Heaven sake, continue to be good industrious people: and your reward is sure to follow.—

Get a Couple of Reels made for hanging up and drying the gill nets.— Kind regards to all? John Hill Kerr.
Jr. and C. Reid, } J.O.
Clarkson:— }

Hamilton! Ont.—
4th November 1886.—

My dear Sir.—

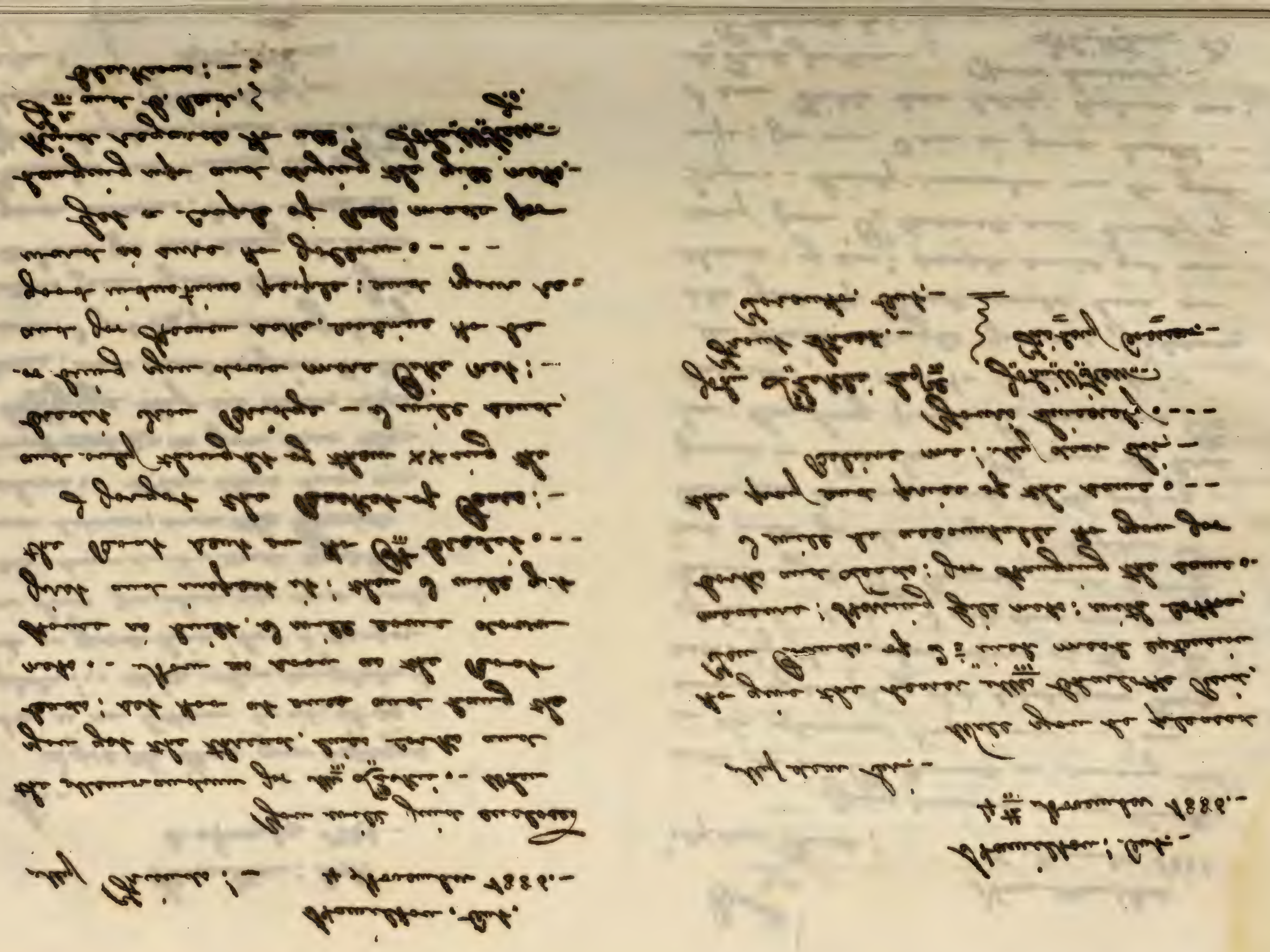
Will you be pleased to give the bearer Mrs Charlotte Reid, Ten Pounds— of 2½" inch mesh extension measure! Herring Gill nets: with Cotton, Corks and Leads: for hanging the same.

I will be accountable to you for the pay and price of the same.—

Believe me! My dear Sir,—
Yours Sincerely.—

John Larkin Esqre
Front Street.—
Toronto, Ont.—

John Hill Kerr.
Shirley Crossan.—



Private!

Memorandum for S. P. Bowset Esqre
Fisheries Department,—
Ottawa!—

I was in Toronto, on yesterday!
I was informed Mac. Intosh. Fishdealer, at Meaford on Georgian Bay!— Had only one fish in his refrigerator before the 1st November instant; "Close Season"— same informant, says there appears to be lots of fish on the shore in & out around Meaford!— —
If you send and examine Mac. Intosh's Freezer! about latter end of this month, same person remarked, it will be found full of fish!— caught during close season!

I met a person from Collins Inlet.— Georgian Bay,— on yesterday at Toronto, he informed me, that he had seen Charles Noble of Killarney,— the day before in Toronto, who told him he had got a license from the Fisheries department, for to fish for Trout, White fish and Bass, in Penage Lake, and the smaller Lakes back from the head of Collins Inlet:— and he would ship the fish from the Sudbury Station of the Canada Pacific Railway.— — I consider it my duty to let you know this:— and also about the Meaford, Mac. Intosh affair.— — —

The person who told me about Noble— has charge of the extensive saw Mills at the head of Collins Inlet. I made his acquaintance when you sent me after Overseer Patton and the Nobles! dont tell where you get your information from!—

Every Poacher are so much injured, that he will not and cannot fish any more this season! will go to Port Burwell, on next monday, and our Legislature on next week.— Yours respectfully.—

John W. Kerr— F.O.

Hamilton, Ont.
4. November 1886.

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Hamilton: Ont.
4. November 1886. —

My dear Sir, —

"Yours of the 2nd instant, is received! — I heard some 2 months ago, Fred: Elliott, was fishing Gill nets, and without a licence! and on yesterday I got $5, — from him, for a Gill net licence. — —

Now I am aware that Monty Fetter, and whom you write for! is at this moment fishing without a licence and so has Fred: Elliott. — The law is, fishing by means of Nets, except under licences from the department of Fisheries — is forbidden in all the waters of Ontario" — Fred: Elliot, has a sail boat no less — and is making money! — Port Burwell is neither the Rond Eau = nor Long point, because as you are aware, all the fisheries

in the public waters of Lake Erie, fronting on the County of Elgin; — are already licensed, and before the Pound nets — were set or set in the Lake — I received $2.250. licensed money — paid to me and sent by me to the Fisheries department. — I dont issue fishing licenses, I have no power to do so; when application is made to me for a license; I submit the matter to The Deputy Minister, — for his decision; and I act then, always as he orders me; the present cases will have to stand, until I come up; as the majesty of the fisheries laws shall and must be observed in the Elgin Division of Lake Erie; and it was for that purpose I was appointed! — you should not have interfered, as you are merely cloaking up a young man, who has been fishing for, and catching fish without a license: perhaps you may not have done

Hamilton: Sept.
4. November 1886. —

My dear Sir, —

Yours of the 2nd instant is
received: I have now 2 months ago,
that: Blackett was fishing Fish creek,
and without a license: and on ques-
tioning I got 10/- from him, for a fish
net license. — —

Now I am aware that Blackett, Sather,
and others you write for, is at this mo-
ment fishing without a license and do
the same: Blackett. The law is, fishing
by means of a hole, except under licenses
from the department of Fisheries, is for-
bidden in all the waters of Victoria —
that: Blackett has a skiff boat on lease —
and is netting money! — But Bennett
is neither the land lessee nor close fisher;
because as you are aware, all the fishing

in the public waters of Lake Tyers, forming a
the boundary of Tyers, are already licensed,
and before the Board made, were let or
bid in the Lake — I received £2.2.0. li-
cense money, paid to me and sent
by me to the Fisheries department. —
I don't issue fishing licenses, I have no
power to do so; when application is made
to me for a license; I submit the matter
to the Deputy Minister, — for his decision;
and I act then, always as he orders me;
the present cases will have to stand,
until I come up; the majority of the
fisheries laws should and must be ad-
vanced in the Tyers Mission of Lake Tyers;
and it was for that purpose I was ap-
pointed; — you should not have in-
terfered, as you are usually electing
up a young man, who has been fish-
ing for, and catching fish without a li-
cense; perhaps you may not have see

so intentionally! the law however must now take its course. - - - -

If these men, Elliott and Ekter, had a license to fish; they could go and fish on, and within the limits of any Chund that fisherman, with his sanction and permission; but not otherwise! - I will explain all these things next week when I come up: Read with kind regards. -

Yours Truly. -
John W. Kerr. -
Fishery Overseer.

Constable
Wm. Jo. Burger,
Port Burwell. -
Ont.

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Hamilton, Ont.
5. December 1886.

My dear Joe!

Yours received, and I thank you for your kind remarks to me: - Unfortunately I have paid on this license for you, - I sent it to the Fisheries department, got up his license and sent it to him. -

My regards your friend Stein, but it will not for the present. -

Kindly remember me to your wife and family... I am very well and enjoying good health, - and I hope you and your friends are enjoying the same blessing. - Believe me, My dear Joe! - Yours kindly. -
John Kerr. -

Joe: N. Yokine Esq.
Dundurn, Ont.

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Private.---

I thought I would drop you a few lines about fishing! - There is about 40. Boats fishing; part of them at the Bustards Islands; and the rest at Bead River, which is about Five miles East of Grumbling point! what do you think of a combination like that? - No doubt they will fish throughout the Close season, in defiance of any Fishery Officer. -

It is really a pity their little game could not be frustrated. - If allowed this year, it will be expected the same next year. - So long as Traders will buy the fish, so long will the fishermen catch them. - But if these Traders had the fish seized, till they would produce evidence, they were caught in open season; then

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- their Trade in Close season, would stop! - But it will take a Force of Armed men to do it. - Club Island, and Fitzwilliam Island is same as other similar places. -

J. W. Kerr Esq. Respectfully Yours, -
Hamilton. Ont. D. Cameron. ---
Killarney. 2. Nov. 1886.

Mons: Jos S. O. Bennett Esq.
Fisheries department. -
Ottawa! - Ont.

It is just as bad in Lake Huron, I send you the information as I got it. --- D. Cameron, - should have a position; he would soon stop illegally fishing at the places named. - I have been myself at all the places named. - Yours respectfully, -

Hamilton, Ont. John W. Kerr. -
5. Nov. 1886. - F.O. -

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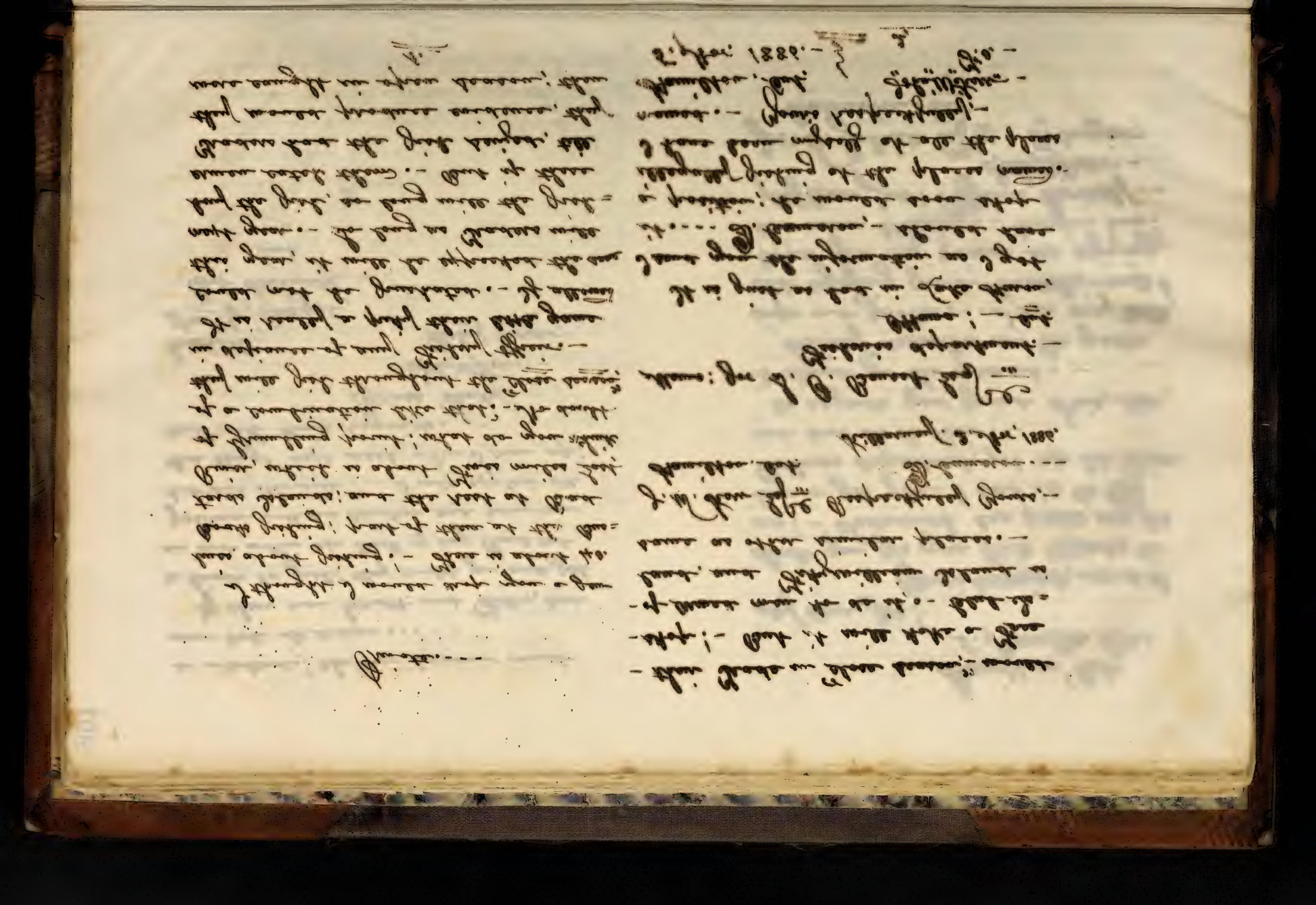


Private!

Hamilton, Ont.,
6. November 1886.—

My dear Peter!

Mr. John D. Mackenzie, has told me, that the President of the Long point Co., Lake Erie, gained fault recently with you for something or another.—— He has no authority over you!— You are a fishery Overseer, appointed by the Fisheries department of the Dominion of Canada; for the preservation and protection of the fish and fisheries leased to the Long point Company, in Lake Erie!— and carry out the law, rules and regulations! Mr. Harris may as well keep cool.

I will thank you for to procure for me 6 pair of the best ducks you can lay your hands on, I want them for an old friend in Ottawa: I will pay you for them! with kind regards for you and yours.— Believe me as usual.— Yours truly. John W. Kerr

Peter Pierce Esq.

Hamilton, Ont.,
8. November 1886.—

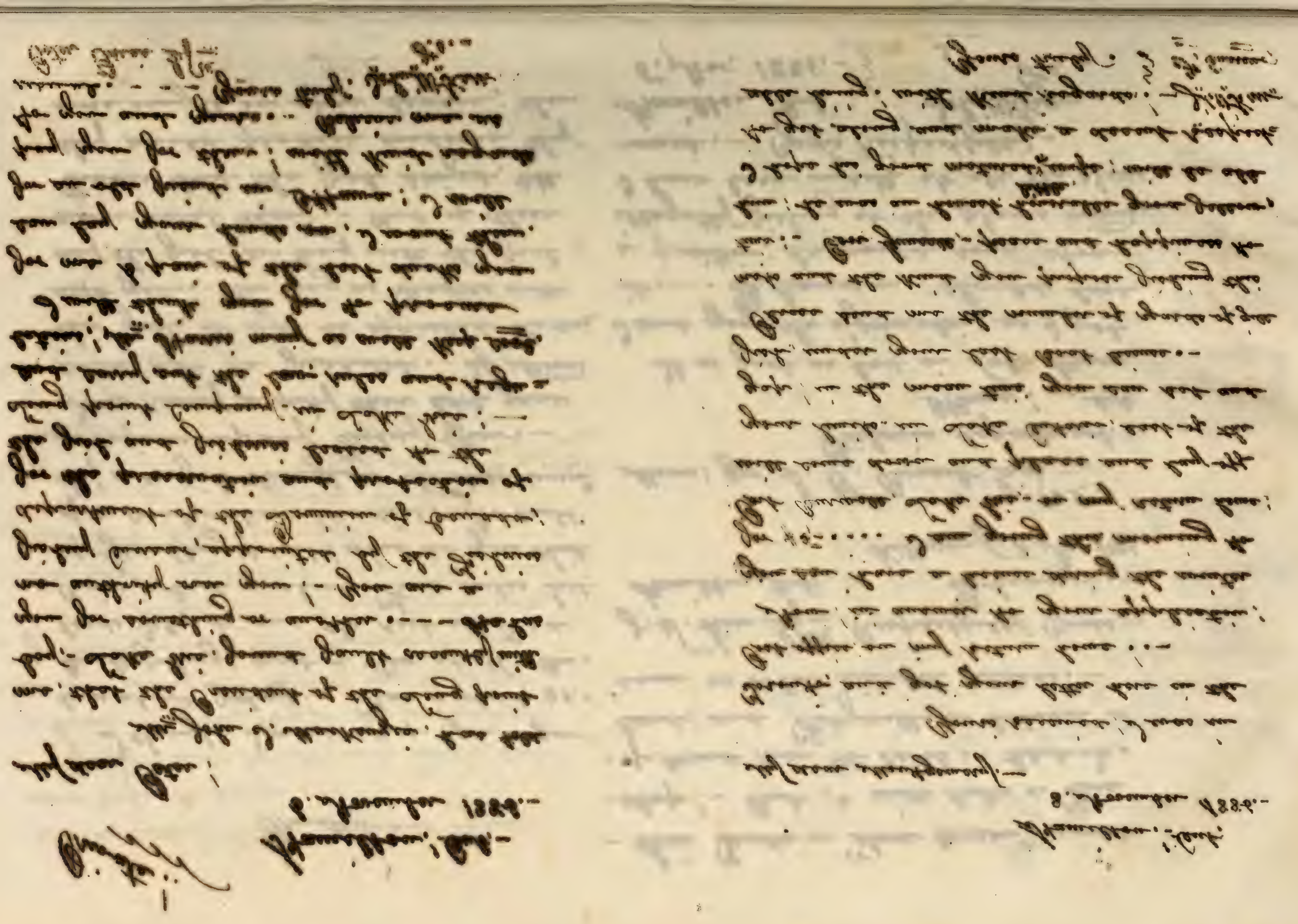
My dear Montgomery.—

Yours received, I was in Toronto, and got your letter here in the Post office, on my return home!.—

Now, in answer to your application; you can have a licence during the winter for 1/2.... I am going this morning to Port Burwell, Lake Erie, on my return home; will come down and place and lay off your limits in Lake Ontario, east of the gap; in the mean time you can set and fish, under your last Boat licence.—

Please send me the number of yards of gill nets and the kind you propose fishing this time:— Poor Fussell,— peace and happiness to him; he was an honest, honorable good fellow, I hope his good natured little wife; will be able to get along and make a decent respectable living! with kind regards! — J. W. Kerr

Yours truly. J. W. Kerr,
Ex. Ganger,



Hamilton! Ont.—
12th November 1886.—

Sir,—

I have the honor to send you Bank Draft, No: 40, for the sum of Twenty dollars.—

Will you be pleased to apply this amount as fishing licenses! for this current year as follows:—

1. D. Montague Foster, Port Burwell;— "For a "Boat license, to fish 1,000 yards of 3 1/8th inch "mesh, Herring Gill nets: and 1,000 yards of 5 1/2" "inch mesh; white fish Gill nets; in the public "waters of Lake Erie, fronting on the Township of "Bayham!" amount sent, is,— $5.00 c.—

2. Fred. Elliott, Port Burwell:— "For a Boat license to fish 2,000. yards of Herring Gill nets, 3 1/2" inch mesh; and 2 1/2" inch mesh: in do!— do!— do!" amount sent, is,— $5.00 c.—

3. Frank Jackson, Port Burwell:— "For a Boat license, to fi[illegible] 2,000. yards of Herring gill nets, 3 1/4" [illegible] in do. do;" amount,— $5.00 c.—

4. Charles Hagaboon, & Co.,— Port Burwell: "For a Boat [illegible]ense to fish 1,200. yards of 3 3/4" inch mesh, Herring gill nets: in do" — amount $5.00 c.—

Total. $20.00 c.—

I recommend that you will be pleased to grant Boat licenses to the applicants.—

I may here mention for your information! that in consequence of the stoppage of the 14th of October last, these men employed then! as Pound net fishermen! are now obliged to go at Gill net fishing.— I have the Honor to be,—

Sir,—

The Deputy Minister, Your Obedient Servant,—
Department of Fisheries! J. Hill Kerr.— F.O.—
Ottawa! Ont.

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Hamilton, Ont.,

Dear Sir, 12th November 1886.

I have the honor to send you Bank Draft, No: 40, for the sum of Twenty dollars ...

While you be pleased to apply this amount as fishing licenses; for this current year as follows: ...

1. Wentworth Water, Ont Township: "For a "Boat license, to fish 1,000 yards of 3 1/8" inch "mesh, throwing fish nets: four 1,000 yards of 3 1/2" "inch mesh; twelve fish fish nets; in the public "waters of lake Erie, fronting on the township of "Bonfarm:" amount sent is, — $7.00 -

2. Three " Twenty Ont Township: "For a Boat license to fish 2000 yards of throwing fish nets, 3 1/2" inch mesh; four 3 1/2" inch mesh: in do: — do: — do:" amount sent is, — $7.00 -

3. Fourth Junction, Ont Township: "For a Boat license, to fish 2,000 yards of throwing fish nets, 3 1/4" " " in do. do:" amount, — $7.00 -

4. Fairville Dogsbow, Ont: Ont Township: "For a Boat license to fish 1,200 yards of 3 1/4" inch mesh, throwing fish nets; in do" amount, $7.00 -

Total, $20.00 -

I recommend that you will be pleased to grant the Boat licenses to the applicants ...

I may take occasion for your information that in consequence of the action of the 14th of October last, these men employed them! as Boat not fishermen! are now obliged to go at fish net fishing ... I have the honor to be,

The Deputy Minister, Your obedient Servant,

Department of Fisheries, Ottawa: Ont. Chas. Lightthorn, Jr.

Hamilton! Ont.

13. November 1886.-

Sir.-

I have the honor to apply to you on behalf of certain residents of the City of Hamilton, and others; resident on Burlington Bay!- for permission to spear Herring. Pike and Bass! in the public waters of Burlington Bay: Commencing for Herring on the 20th day of November, and for Bass and Pike! as soon as the ice forms on the Bay: till spearing to end on the 15th April 1887.-

The usual rate to be $1.00 p. to each person as licence fee!- I recommend the same for your consideration! if granted by you I will require 100 blank licences.---

I have the Honor to be,

Sir.-

Your Obedient Servant.—

John Kew.-

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.--
Ottawa.- Ont.-

Hamilton! Sept.

Sir, — 13. November 1886. —

I have the honor to apply to you on behalf of certain residents of the City of Hamilton and others: resident on Dundurn Street! — to permission to open Fencing. Gate and Lane: on the public avenue of Dundurn Street: commencing on the Fencing on the 21st day of November, and from and thence: on and on the also from on the day: this opening to cease on the 15th August 1887. —

The annual rate to be $4.00 p. to each person on Lane for: I recommend the lane for permission! of granted for year I make the = sum 100 Eleven Dollars. — — —

I have the honor to be,

Sir —

Your Obedient Servant. —

Hamilton. —

The Deputy Minister,

Department of Fisheries. — —

Ottawa. — Sept. —

Memorandum. for S. C. Bassett Esqre
Fisheries Department.—
Ottawa, Ont.—

I got home here on Friday afternoon, from the Elgin Division of Lake Erie; and I desire to report for your own information, how matters are there at present, and since the 14th of October last!—that great storm, going at the rate of 75 miles, an hour spreading havoc damage injury and destruction to and upon 46 Pound nets: 39 of which are fished in Lake Erie, fronting on the County of Elgin: and 7.— are fished in Lake Erie, fronting on the Township of Houghton; in the County of Norfolk! making in all 46. Pounds fishing, when that great storm happened. - - -

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Out of the 46. Pound nets fishing under licence at the time of the storm, only 17.— could be got together up to last thursday, the 11th November, instant, by repairing and mending. - - -

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At Clear Creek, Township of Houghton!— R. Bates, repaired one pound net, and it is now fishing: the balance of his pound nets, are of no earthly use until repaired!— they are 2, more in number.

At Houghton Centre! Frank Jackson, four new Pound nets, washed out by the storm, stakes, anchor stones and bags scattered with Leads, Pots, Hearts and Tunnels, indiscriminately all around the Lake.... The greater part of the twine "each net" has since the storm been collected, and is now being repaired... Jackson does not intend to fish again, any more this fall:— The loss and damage was considerable. - - -

Memorandum. for J. C. Conner Esq.
Fisheries Department.
Ottawa, Ont.

I get home here on finding yesterday from the Deputy Minister of Marine this: and I desire to report for your information how matters are there at present since the 14th of October last:- that great storm, on the coast of N. Brunswick, we have experienced heavy damage injury and destruction to most nets to Gaspe nets: 39 of which are placed in Chaleur Bay, putting on the boundary of Bay: and 7 are placed in Chaleur Bay, putting on the Peninsula of Miscouche: in the boundary of Miscouche: nothing in all to Canada fishing, when that great storm happened....

But of the 46 Gaspe nets fishing under leases at the time of the storm, only 17 could be got together up to last Thursday. the 11th November, without bailing and mending....

But Eleven Bank, Peninsula of Miscouche: Nets Gaspe, repaired are present not such at is more fishing: the balance of the present nets are of no earthly use until repaired:- they are 5 in number.

But Miscouche Nets: Fourth Section, Gaspe new Gaspe nets, smashed out by the storm, stakes under above are long scattered with clean, Gaspe Fourth and Gaspe, indiscriminately all around the Gaspe.... The greater part of the terms "Bank nets" has since the storm been collected, and is now being repaired... Gaspe - does not intend to fish again, and more this year:- The loss and damage was considerable....

At Port Burwell, township of Bayham! — East.
William G. Emery. — Henry Swan, and William Backhouse! had four Pounds washed out by the storm, torn and scattered around; this firm was able to collect the fragments of their pound nets, and they are now being repaired and put in fishing order, for next year: —

Messrs. Emery and Coy. — have not fished any since the storm; but if inclined to fish they could not, because the Pound nets; are now being repaired; Emery and Coy. — would have taken out their Pound nets, — before 1st November, so as to conform with the "close season". — for white fish! — — — Anyhow!!! —

Not a word respecting the serious damage and loss, estimated by me, at about $800. — Not taking in to account what the catch of fish may have been if the storm had not injured and washed out their Pound nets. — — —

I may say of Mr. Emery. — "He mind is the man."

At Port Burwell, township of Bayham! — West. —
George A. Brown, and W. H. Cudney. — had their four pounds washed out, torn and tattered, and one of their pound nets — they have never yet, since the storm laid eyes upon! — they have repaired one net, and had it fishing when I arrived at Port Burwell, on monday last, the 8th November, instant, — they had not fished up — "even for the first time" — when I left there for Port Bruce and Stanley. — — —

These men bear their loss and damage to their nets and fishing without a murmur. — — — And I may add they are industrious and sober men. — — —

Port Burwell, would be a very poor place, but for Mr. Emery, — and the fishing carried on there. — — —

At Port Dunnale, township of Dunham. — Feat Division of Inverf. Inverf Seiners, and Fishermen Boathouses. Not you Canoes smashed out by the storm. You and Brotherton answer: this gives us able to collect the fragments of their poverty and they are now being repaired and put in fishing order, for next year: —

Reply = Inverf and Inv. have not gotten any since the storm: but it seems to get they were not, because the Canoe nets are now being repaired: Inverf and Inv. would have taken out their Canoe nets before the Hurricane, so as to conform with the "three season". Per white Pat. — Dunham !!! —

Not a word respecting the serious damage and loss estimated by me, at about $600. — Not nothing in to account what the total of fish may have been if the storm had not injured and smashed out their Canoe nets. — —

A many Inv of the Inverf. The result is the same.

At Port Dunnale, township of Dunham. — Inverf. — Jerry Brown and Mr. H. Brouard have taken Canoes smashed out. You and Brotherton, and we of their Canoe nets. They have never yet since the storm had eye upon: — They have repaired and net, and has it fishing with Seiners at Port Dunnale, on monday last the 8th November instant. They has not gotten up. Been for the first time" when I left there for Port Dunn and Stanley. — —

These men lost their los and damage to their nets and fishing without a murmur. — — But I may note they are industrious and sober men. — —

Port Dunnale, would be a very poor place, but for Mr. Inverf. and the fishing service on there. — —

Pt.

At Port Bruce, township of Malahide, East.
Captain Thomas Thompson, fished two Pound nets, - they were washed out, damaged and injured, by the storm of the 14th October, last. -- I saw Mr Thompson, at Port Bruce - on East wednesday - the 10th November instant. -- He takes things in good part, and has not fished since the storm! had nothing to fish with; see previous report I sent you. - - -

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At Port Bruce, township of Malahide! East, and West.
Sylvanus Young and sons, - fished four Pound nets they were all washed out, injured and damaged by the storm of the 14th of October last. - Young mended up and repaired one pound net, with a 2m. Rod lead; which he is fishing at present. - -
I have given you details in a former report, I saw fragments of the damaged pounds scattered all round at Port Bruce. - Old Young, is cast down at the loss he has sustained, and so he told me. - - -

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Dexter Side Line: townships of Malahide and Yarmouth! -- Ferdinand Kontze - Port Bruce:
fished two Pound nets in Lake Erie, fronting on the 1st Concession of Yarmouth: both nets were damaged and injured, and nearly all the twine was torn and washed from the stakes, - and anchor stones, Kontze. has been able to repair one pound net, which he has set out again. -- The second pound net, he has not yet repaired. -- I did not see Kontze, on last wednesday, when I was at Port Bruce. he was out on the Lake, fishing up. -
No complaints have come direct to me yet, from Kontze, - about his losses. - - -

Mt Gut House, Township of Mulchaisie, East Gaspé
Gaspé Basin, Province of Quebec, June 15th
1869.

Dear Sir, We were washed out, damaged our rigging, by the storm of the 14th October last. I saw the Champion at Gut House on last mondayday the 11th November instant. He takes things in good part, we have not spoken since the storm. Has nothing to said with; see previous report I sent you.

Mt Gut House, Township of Mulchaisie, East Gaspé County, June 20th. Sir, Yours received; we were washed out, injured our damages by the storm of the 14th of October last. Young remember my opinions are present not with a Mr. Blair last; which is giving at present.

I have given you details in a previous report. I saw fragments of the damaged provisions boat=head ashore at Gut House. — Blue Young is boat down at the bee to see instrument, and he tells me.

Butter tubs alone: Township of Mulchaisie and Gaspé! — Statement Township — Gut House: Sir, Yours received in due time, posting on the 14th November of Gaspé: both were washed out injured, our rigging, the sails were washed from our washed from the stores, and water among Township. Yours also to report are present not which is the boat out injured. — The account present not, is too not yet reported. — I did not see Township, on boat mondayday when I was at Gut House. He was out on the day, fishing up. — the Gaspé Township have been direct to me yet. Yours Township, about his losses. — —

Y.

Port Stanley.- John Price! has a license for to fish 5. pound nets,- in Lake Erie, East and West of Port Stanley,- in the townships of Yarmouth and Southwold; and fronting on the same. - - -

The storm of the 14th of October last raged and run in front of the County of Elgin, in Lake Erie, at the rate of 75 miles an hour, the same being registered by Mr. Pepper, the Post Master there. -

I examined the debris of Mr. John Prices, five pounds damaged and injured by the storm; and by the floating wood, trees roots and logs; that aided by the storm, tore and forced the five pounds from the stakes and anchorage: they appeared to be a mass of destruction. - - - Mr. Price, in consequence of his losses, asked for a rebate, I told him I would lay his case before the Department. - - -

Mr. Price, was able to rig up 3 pounds, which I found fishing on last wednesday, the 18th instant, when I got there! - And he had just fished up; bringing in 17. Barrels of Herring and Pickerel, for his Customers. And he reported the fishing good, before and up to the time the storm happened. - - -

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Port Stanley.- John Ellison Jr. Has a license to fish 5 pound nets, in the public waters of Lake Erie, fronting on the township of Southwold, as far East, as the property of Anthony Crauss: - - -

The storm of the 14th October last, washed out his 5 pound nets,- tore them up, and scattered them over the Lake, a piece here, and a piece there: all damaged so, as to be unfit for fishing any more during this year I saw the remains of the pounds - [5.] Torn in pieces. -

Mr. Ellison, nothing daunted, by the losses he sustained, put his men to work, having other Pound nets on

Dat Johnsday.- John Chase; has a licence for to sell 5 pounds weth.- in cloth this, that was stolen of Dat Johnsday.- in the township of Plumstead out Huntshirdt: our printing on the same . - - -

The oath of the 14th of October last roger Co hus in part of the township of Sligo, in cloth this, at the rate of 7s mile an hour, the same being required for his Cape, the Dat allready then . -

I examined the cloths of his Chase, fine pound damaged and injured by the storm; but by the flooding water, these rents and tags; that occasd by the storm, then and forced the five pounds from the clothes and embarrass: they appear to be a mere of destruction . - - his Chase, in consequence of his losses, either for a relief; I told him I would by his case before the Department . - - -

his Chase, was able to buy up 3 pounds, which I found fishing on last wednesday, the 16th instant, when I got them :- that he had just finished up, bringing in 4y, barrels of herring and Herrings, for his customers, that he reported the fishing good, before and up to the time the storm happened . - - -

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Dat Johnsday.- The Chase of his Chase 5 three a licence to sell 5 pounds weth, in the public motion of cloth this, fastening on the township of Huntshirdt, as far East, as the property of Nathaniel Chase : - - -

The oath of the 14th October last, weather and his 5 pounds weth.- two then up, and scattered them over the cloth, a piece here, and a piece there: sale ensuing so, as to be unfit for selling any more claiming the gain from the remains of the pounds.- (5) then in pieces . -

his Chase, nothing counter, by the losses to Nathaniel put his men to work, having other Count rents on

hand, and by Saturday the 23rd of October, he had 3 pound nets, fishing again. - - -

On wednesday last, the 10th November instant, when I arrived at Port Stanley, - Ellison, having fished up that day, had packed away, sixteen Barrels of Herrings and Pickerel, for his customers. - - And Mr Ellison, reported to me, that fishing was good: up to the time the storm happened. - - I have been figuring, and I believe Messrs John Price, and Captain John Ellison Jr have each sustained a loss of $1.000. by that storm. - - -

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Tyrconnel. - - - Township of Dunwich! —

Mr William Church, of Tyrconnel, has a licence for to fish 2, pound nets, in Lake Erie, fronting abreast of lot No: 6, to lot No: 13, Tenth Concession of Dunwich: -

They were washed out, and torn and damaged by the storm of the 14th October last, not disheartened Mr Wm Church, set to work, repaired one pound and has ~~has~~ it fishing, and catching fish, for some days past. - -

His second pound, he was setting out on ~~Good~~ thursday last, the 11th November, instant, with a reduced Lead of 20 Rods. - - -

Mr Church, furnished me with the information, I met a Team, conveying 5 Barrels, of Herring and Pickerel, from Tyrconnel, to Ellison, of Pt Stanley, - he buys all the fish ~~etc, etc.~~ by Church and Page, in Lake Erie, fronting on the Township of Dunwich. - -

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Tyrconnel, - Township of Dunwich. -

Messrs Joseph Page, and John Baladon, have a licence to fish 2 pound nets, in Lake Erie, fronting abreast the of lot No: 3, to lot No: 6, - Tenth Concession of Dunwich. - -

Both pound nets were washed out, damaged and injured - the pot, and tunnel of one pound was

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Sycamore. — Township of Plumsock. —

Mr. William Hamel of Sycamore has a license for to fish 2 pound nets, in Lake Ste. Pontiny adjacent of lot No: 6, to lot No: 13, Gaspé Concession of Plumsock: —

They were washed out, and torn and damaged by the storm of the 14th October last, not disinterested Mr. Hamel, but to wit, requires one pound net too to at fishing, not exceeding fifty, for some days past. —

The second pound, he was setting out on ~~[illegible]~~ Thursday last, the 11th November instant, with a reasonable clear of 20 days. —

Mr. Hamel, furnisher me with the information, I met a team, conveying 3 barrels of herring and Herring, from Sycamore to Mr. Hamel, — to bring all the fish ~~[illegible]~~ Hamel nets Cage, in Lake Ste. Pontiny on the township of Plumsock. —

Sycamore. — Township of Plumsock. —

Mr. Joseph Cage, and John Gladdow have a license to fish 2 pound nets, in Lake Ste. Pontiny adjacent of lot No: 3, to lot No: 6. — Gaspé Concession of Plumsock. —

Both pound nets were washed out, damaged and injured. — the last, and third of one pound was

completely destroyed... They sustained a heavy loss.— They repaired one pound net, and had it out fishing the other pound net, to put it in fishing order, will cost about $100.—

Two barrels of the fish I met going to Ellerson of Port Stanley, were caught by Page and Baldon; the other three Barrels were caught by Wm Church....

Eagle.— Township of Aldborough!—

Daniel Lang; has a license to fish 3 pound nets, he also fishes 3 pound nets; in Lake Erie; for Mr C.W. Gauthier, of Sandwich; fronting on the Township of Aldborough!— The entire 6 pounds were washed out, and some of them have not been found yet!— so complete was the destruction!! however, Mr Lang nothing daunted! mended up and set one pound, and the first time he fished up after the storm of the 14th of October last, he caught $48.00 of, worth of fish.—

Mr Lang has at present 3 pound nets fishing, and the other 3 pounds,— are so badly damaged; that much time labour and material will have to be spent repairing them and fitting them up: for next season....

New Glasgow.— Township of Aldborough!—

Daniel Patterson; has a license to fish 3 pound nets, in public waters of Lake Erie, abreast of lots No: 8,— and B,— 14th Concession.— The Nets were all blown out by the great storm of the 14th of October last, and very seriously injured and damaged, one pound beyond repair... The other 2, pounds— Mr Patterson, has managed to get them out fishing again.... He was putting in the second pound net on last thursday, when I was in Aldborough.—

Hamilton, Ont, 15, November 1886.

Yours respectfully,— John W. Kerr —
Fishery Overseer.

completely destroyed. -- Very unfortunate & heavy loss. --
Very reasonable are persons not, and that it not yielding
the other persons net, to put it in fishing-seine;
nails cost about $100. --
The barrels of the fish I must going to Gloucester
Not already were sought by boys our Gloucester; the
other three barrels were sought by Westbrook. ---

Eagle. -- Township of Middlebrook! --
Samuel along; has a license to fish 3 persons nets,
to wit: pickes 3 persons nets in Clarke lake; for the
Township of Middlebrook; fishing on the Township of Middle
brook! -- The entire 3 persons were weather out,
and some of them have not been fished yet! -- In
complete was the destruction!! However, the along nothing
discouraged; mended up and set are persons, and the
first time he pickes up after the storm of the 14th
of October last, he sought $48.00 of worth of fish. --
The along has at present 3 persons nets fishing, and
the other 3 persons, - are in hopeful manner; that much
time labour and material will have to expend repair
ing them and fishing them up; for next season. --

New Gloucester. -- Township of Middlebrook! --
Samuel Patterson; has a license to fish 3 persons nets
in public waters of Clarke lake, adjacent of lot No: 8, range E.
14th Township. -- The nets were all blown out by
the great storm of the 14th of October last, and very
seriously injured and damaged, are persons hopeful
repair. -- The other 3 persons - the Patterson has
manager to get them out fishing again. -- He
was fishing in the same persons net on last Thurs=
day, when I was in Middlebrook. --
Township, but: Yours respectfully -- J. Johnson --
15. November 1886.

The Jury Gerson

Memo: for S. C. Trust Esq.re

On departure for Ottawa! –

I send you – a letter from the Gun Div.n.
it will show you the present position of
matters there! after the great storm of the
14th of October last ... I got a letter
from the Deputy of the 4th instant, on Satur-
day – afternoon! stating that the Dealers
in Toronto, have been writing for White
fish or Salmon Trout; to Georgian Bay, –
if this is so, I believe I can detect it,
even without the assistance of Coxsser
Johnson! – I shall proceed to Toronto, on
monday, for that special purpose. ...
I shall have searched every dealer in
Toronto, who sells white fish and Trout;
that done; will report the result. ...
I may tell you had the deputy sent
me with a Tug to Georgian Bay, and
given me Black Clark; I would have cleared
them out: – The town of Southampton, to

the extent of two miles – was burned down;
Busby's Hotel, amongst them. ...
My impression is, that the Trespassers on
Lake Erie, at Port Dover, – Jeerge up the
white fish, during "Close season," – and fill
net fishermen, will fish gill nets illegally
and without license in Wardells Bay, Lake
Erie; township of Rainham! please call
Coxsser D. Sharpe's attention – to these
things. – day night the wind blows from
the land in to the Lake; he will find
them fishing there: – I caught them there
last year. ... Sharpe, will require to be
in ambush – about 6. a. m. some morning,
so as not to be seen; – Dan: Wardell,
J. Stewart, and Isaac Culp, are sure
to fish. – You need not say, in giv-
ing your Orders, from whom you got
your information. – I hope you are not
sick, it is an age since I had a letter
from you: I applied on saturday, for

permission to spear Herring in Burlington Bay, - and I know Kilbert, M. P. - applied also! spearing to commence on the 20th instant. - - - I hope you will give Emery a license next year for to fish 3 pounds on Long point, east of the cut. - there is about 2 miles - between the old and new cuts; that does not belong to the Long point Co., - and it is not included in their Lease; it is a great place for catching sturgeon; when Jackson Family of Turkey point, fished there, 15 years ago, it is now vacant. - - -

Mr Emery would not ask for a rebate, would prefer a fishing ground, I believe he has the pounds now over on hand. - Overseer, Peter Price is authority covers the place. - - - I am as usual! -

Yours respectfully. -

John W. Kerr. -

Fishery Overseer.

Hamilton, Ont.,
14. Nov: 1886.

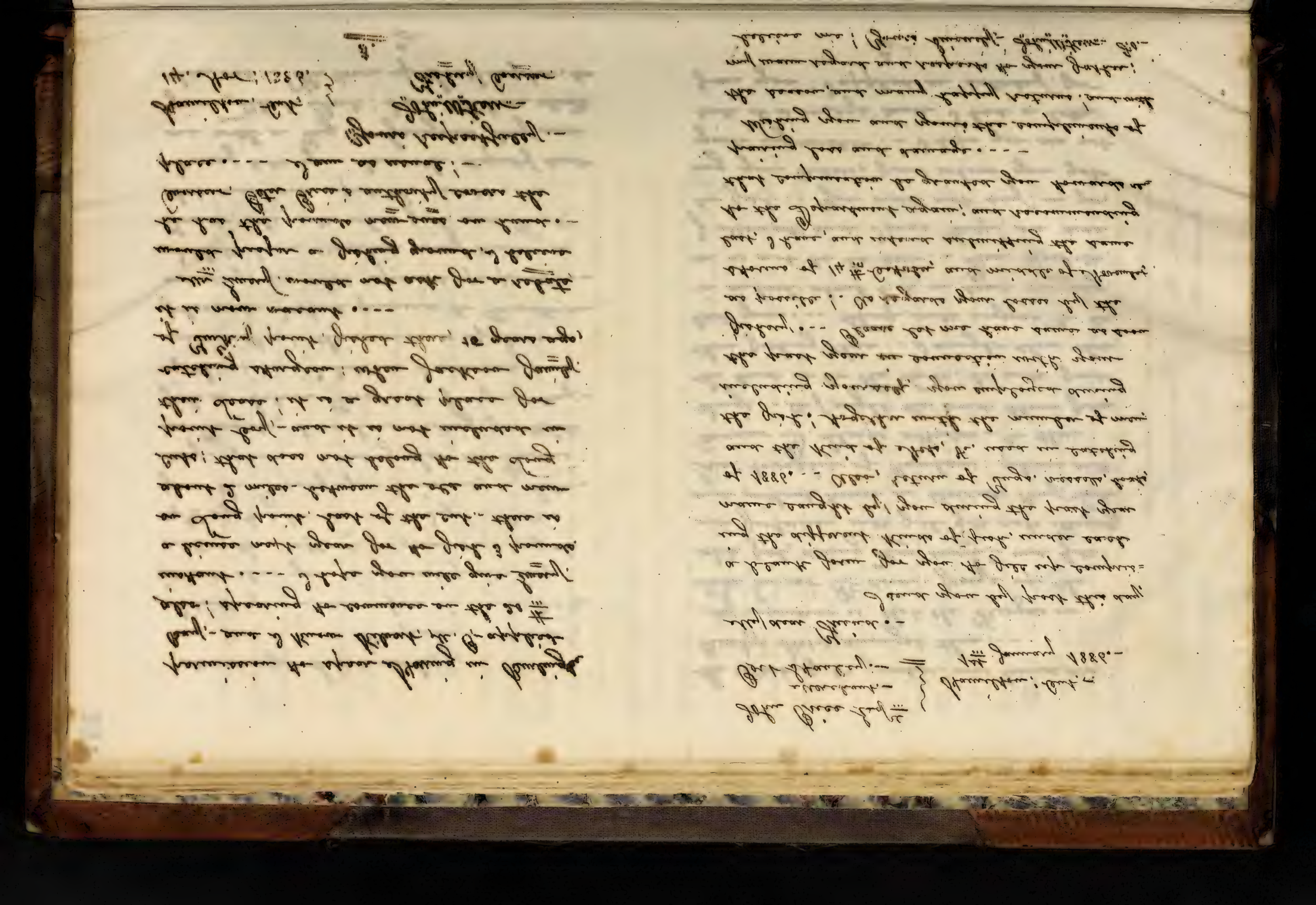
John Price Esqre
Merchant. -
Port Stanley. -

Hamilton: Ont. -
1st January 1886. -

My dear Friend. -

I send you by post this day, a blank form for you to fill up comprising the different kinds of fish, under each name caught by you during the past year of 1886. - - Also, return of Tugs, vessels, boats, and the kind of Nets, &c. used in catching the fish; together with the number of men, including yourself, you employed during the past year in connection with your fishery. - - Please let me have same as soon as possible! As regards your losses by the storms of 14th October, and middle of November last, I have, and intend submitting the same to the Department again; and recommending that compensation be granted you towards repairing loss and damage. - - -

Wishing you and yours the compliments of the season, and many happy returns! and with my warm regard and respects to your father; believe me! Yours Sincerely. John W. Kerr. F.O. -



Hamilton, Ont.,
16. November 1886....

Sir:-

I am in receipt of yours of 12th instant, and I have to report that on Monday, yesterday, I proceeded to Toronto, and after making careful enquiries: I find no White fish nor Trout for sale, except what Mr. D. W. Port and Coy. had on hand, caught legally, before the 1st of November, instant; as already re=por to you! See my letter to you of the 30th of October last...

Except Mr. Michael Doyle, Fish dealer, Toronto, I could obtain no information of any person else wrg=the Dealers of Georgian Bay, to send him White fish, and Trout since "Close season" commenced!-

Doyle, wrote to Mackintosh - fish dealer - at Meaford! for to send him some White fish, and Trout; he replied that he had frozen fish on hand, and by paying for the fish beforehand, he Macintosh, would let Doyle have frozen fish. Doyle declined to take the fish: as he did not want frozen fish; but fresh caught fish, and so there the matter has ended for the present...

My informant is Mrs. Doyle, who told me the matter in confidence, in her Fish House, at Toronto, this morning... I may here tell you as a posi=tive fact, that on the 31st day of October last, Mr. J. G. Macintosh of Meaford had one solitary fish - in his Freezer! I have the proof in my possession... This day, - Macintosh - has his freezer, nearly filled with White fish and Trout caught during the present "Close season," - by the

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa: Ont.

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Hamilton, Ont.

16. November 1886...

Sir:-

I am in receipt of yours of 12th instant, and have to report that on Monday, yesterday, I proceeded to Oneida, and after making careful enquiries: I find as White Fish are short for sale, except what the Dept. and Ind. have on hand, enough legally before the 1st of November, instant; as aforesaid re-quired by you! See my letter to you of the 30th of October last...

Interpret the alleged Indian, Fish dealer, Oneida, should obtain no supervision of any person else-wise the Indians of Sheguiandah, to cause him White Fish, and Trout since "Elec. season" commenced!-

Indian, wants to alleviatistock - Fish dealer - at Sheguiandah! for to cause him some White Fish, and Trout; he replied that he has Fresh Fish on hand, and by paying for the fish deportment, he alleviatock, would let Indian have Fresh Fish. Indian declined to take the fish: as he did not want Fresh Fish; but fresh enough fish, and so then the matter has ended for the present...

The supervisant is the Indian who told me this matter in confidence, in his Fish House, at Oneida, this morning... I may then tell you as a positive fact that on the 31st day of October last, the alleviatock of Sheguiandah had one barrel Fish - in his Freezer! I have the proof in my possession... This day - Alleviatock - has his Freezer, nearly filled with White Fish and Trout enough during the present "Elec season" by the Deputy Minister,

Department of Fisheries,

Ottawa: - Ont

Sir:

fishermen, who have been bringing in the fish, by night and by day; and delivering them in Macintosh's fish house, to be frozen, and sold; sold next December; after "Close season" expires.

I tell you these facts, in confidence, and except The Minister and Mr. Barret and myself no person should know from us: what I shall now tell you.

Mr. D. W. Port, fish dealer, Toronto, gave me a letter in confidence to read, and I read it over; it is dated Meaford, 8th November 1886, - and signed John McKee, this letter was addressed to D. W. Port and gave an account of the fishermen paying no attention whatever to the "Close season" they have never stopped but fished along from the commencement of "Close season", - and they intended fishing during the entire month of November. -

Up to the 8th of November when the letter was written: the fishermen had daily, and at night delivered a large quantity of fish to Macintosh: so you can now judge and form a better opinion of these things yourself! But on no account shall Mr. D. W. Port, - be compromised, nor mixed up in any action or proceedings you may order to be taken against Mr. Macintosh, for violating the Fisheries! -- "Buying fish during "close season", - by Tens weight.

I recommend that all the fish found frozen in Macintosh fish house and freezer - be seized and confiscated. - By doing this, you will put a final stop to fishing during close season. --

If Macintosh did not encourage illegal fishing, it would soon die out! buying these fish for almost any price, he may choose to give, he can then sell cheap! - undersell honest dealers by at least

fishermen, who have been hanging on the grid by night, and by day; and delivering them in Alnwick's fish house. to be gone, and out; and not assembler; after "Glee season" appears.

I tell you these facts, in confidence, and depend the minister and the Council and magistrates should know from me: what I shall now tell you.

Mr. W. Ct. fish dealer. Alnwick, gives me a letter in confidence to read, and I read it over: it is dated Monday 8th November 1886 - and begins John Mr. this letter was addressed to Mr. W. Ct. and gave an account of the fishermen hanging on without return to the "Glee season" they have never dropped but picked along from the commencement of "Glee season" and that intended fishing during the entire month of November. -

Up to the 8th of November when the letter was written: the fishermen had only, not at night delivered a large quantity of fish to Alnwick: to give can now judge and form a better opinion of these things yourself! but on account whole Mr. W. Ct. be compromised, or mixed up in any action or proceedings you may order to be taken against Mr. Alnwick, for violating the Fishers! -- Hanging fish during "Glee season" by then night.

I recommend that all the fish found hanging in Alnwick fish house and Grange - be burnt and fumigated: - by doing this, you will put a final stop to fishing during Glee season. --

If Alnwick did not encourage illegal fishing, it would have did not! hanging these fish about any price, to many chance to give, he can then call chap: - unfeeling honest dealers by at least

four or five cents a pound....

A sudden dash will have to be made, and the capture of Macintosh's-fish be made at double quick time! whenever you have made up your mind on the subject... This course has be carried out; and will be henceforth most effectual for all time to come... I will be at your service to assist, whenever ordered by you....

Except one lot of fish received early this month by Fitch, Bros:-Hamilton! an affidavit being made before Mr Watson,- Collector of Customs,- Collingwood: of which I received due and timely notice: no other fish have been passed over the Railways from Georgian Bay, to Hamilton nor Toronto....

All of which is respectfully submitted.--

John Wilkes.--

Fishery Overseer.--

Note!-

Compare the facts set forth herein, with what you have got already from the Fish dealers- in Georgian Bay: and you may be able then to discover whose shoe pinches!.-

J. Wilkes F.O.

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Gun-or five-tenths a pound ...

A shilling and nine have to be made, and the
-ceptions of allowances; first, he made at double
quick time! whenever you have made up your
mind on the subject ... This serves two to con-
-sist out; and the transport must appertain for all
time to come ... I will be at your service to
assist, whenever ordered by you ...

Except we let of first reasons simply this
month by little one: - Hamilton! an applicant
being made before the Hon. Secretary of Tre-
-asury. Delinquency: of which I received due
and timely notice: no other first have been
passed nor the Delinquency from Surgeon Dry
to Hamilton nor Canada ...

Bill of which is respectfully submitted. -

"Phillitheer" -

"Treasury Messenger. - -

Note: -

Inquire the facts set forth herein
with what you have got already from the
Field clerks. in Surgeon Dry: and you
may be able then to discover whose claim
Hamilton: -

"Phillitheer" Esq.

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Hamilton, Ont.
17. November 1886.—

Sir,

I have the honor to apply to you for a Boat license for William Montgomery, of Toronto, for to fish 2,400. yards of Herring gill nets, 2 1/2" inch mesh, 2 3/4" and 2 3/4" inch mesh during this current year, in the public waters of Lake Ontario, fronting on the Counties of Peel and York, between Port Credit and Port Union. ...

The amount is to be Five dollars, and is to be sent the Department by me, next remittance.

I recommend this application for your consideration. —

I Have the Honor to be,
Sir, —
Your Obedient Servant, —
John W. Kerr
Fishery Overseer

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries. —
Ottawa, Ont.

Honolulu, Oah,

Sir,

17th November 1886.—

I have the honor to apply to you for a short license for Wilkinson Mauhigoomy of Honolulu for to pick 2,400 pounds of Morning glory seed, 2½ seed meal, 2½ oil and 2½ seed meal during the current year in the public waters of this Kingdom on the Koolau side of Oahu between Kaalaea and Kaluanui.—

The amount is to be three dollars, and is to be sent the Department for one cent remittance.

I recommend this application for your consideration.—

I have the honor to be,

Sir,—

Your Obedient Servant,

Hoolulu

Sterling Carter

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Finance,—
Honolulu, Oah.

Memorandum! Jos. S. P. Bansat Esqre
Fishery Department —
Ottawa! — Oct. —

I send the Deputy Minister report this day on Fish dealers of Toronto, urging the Dealers of Georgian Bay — to send them White fish and Trout. — —

My report will show you that I got on the right track, and without any trouble. — —

Macintosh, has been at the work, for years; indulged in very m[illegible] by Charley Wilcot, in past years — during "Flour season" — for Trout and White fish; you can now see the bad results; and Macintosh will stick to it, if not stopped by the strong arm of the Law! if ordered by you, or by the Minister or deputy — I will act in the matter, and if so: I will have to bring a good reliable man with me from

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here, and until I make the seizure, Geo: S. Miller — F.O. — must not be told any thing about what is going on. — —

I may be wrong, but my natural instinct, lead me to believe that Miller, and Macintosh — gave the information to the Deputy Minister! trying thereby to blind fold the devil in the dark. — —

I dont suppose the deputy appreciates much, what I report to him! nevertheless, I will always report to him truthfully; — without fear, favour or affection; malice or illwill: and do my duty to the best of my ability notwithstanding. —

I tried to get McRae's letter for you, but D. W. O^tt would not give it to me. — —
The fact is, altho he spoke bitterly of how Macintosh is carrying on, — nothing can induce him to go further, it would ruin him and McRae, was it known that they told me anything. — —

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Penace Lake, - is I believe the name of that inland Lake, I wrote you about on the 4th instant. - I have had a similar letter from D. Cameron, Y. Guardian, Killarney. - I hope you will prevent Charles Noble getting a licence for fish gill nets in Penage or Penace Lake - in land from Collins Inlet - Saw Mills, - Algoma District - north from Killarney - on Georgian Bay. -

Everything quiet in my divisions - Bass and Herring - fishing - splendid this season! - I saw Lisers - at Ot. Credit on yesterday, upwards of 2½ pounds each. -

I am, As usual: -

Yours Respectfully, -

John Wiker

Fishery Overseer.

Hamilton, Ont.
17. Nov.; 1886.

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P.S.

Your letter - is just arrived. I am sorry indeed to hear of your illness, - for Heaven sake - keep away from the opium! - it is a treacherous commodity, exercise, exercise; run around and a little fatigue will soon enable you to obtain your natural sleep again! ...

God be thanked for all his mercies and kindness to me: for I sleep well, only after long journeys and long driving; I become a little nervous; and on last Friday after I got home from Elgin, I had no heart for writing to you the loss and damage to Pound nets; on Sunday morning I just sat down - and wrote you off the sad tale! imprinted as it is on my mind from personal observation ... I share your fears for a renewal of licence for some fishermen: whose loss on the 14th of October last was more than they are able to bear.

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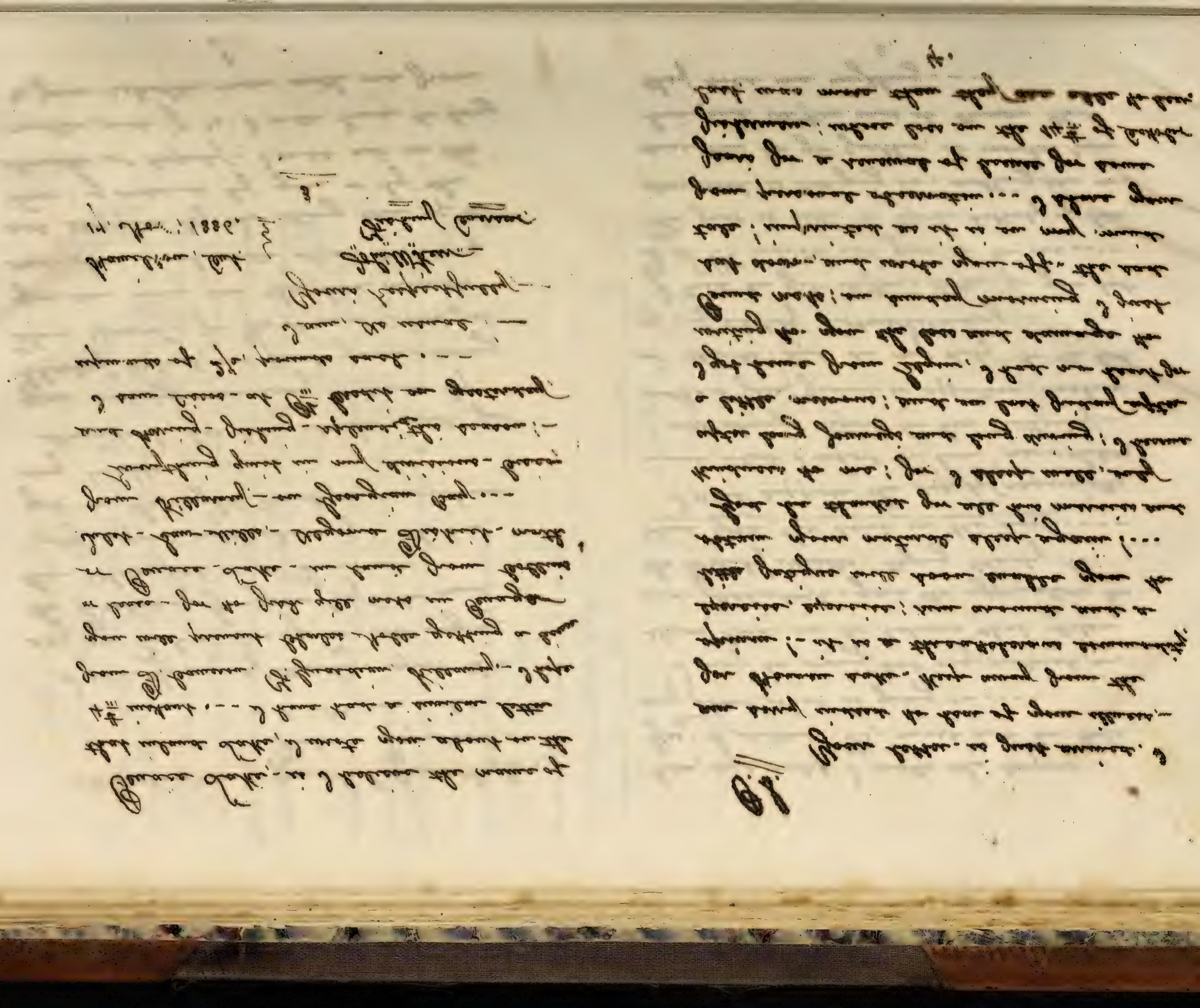
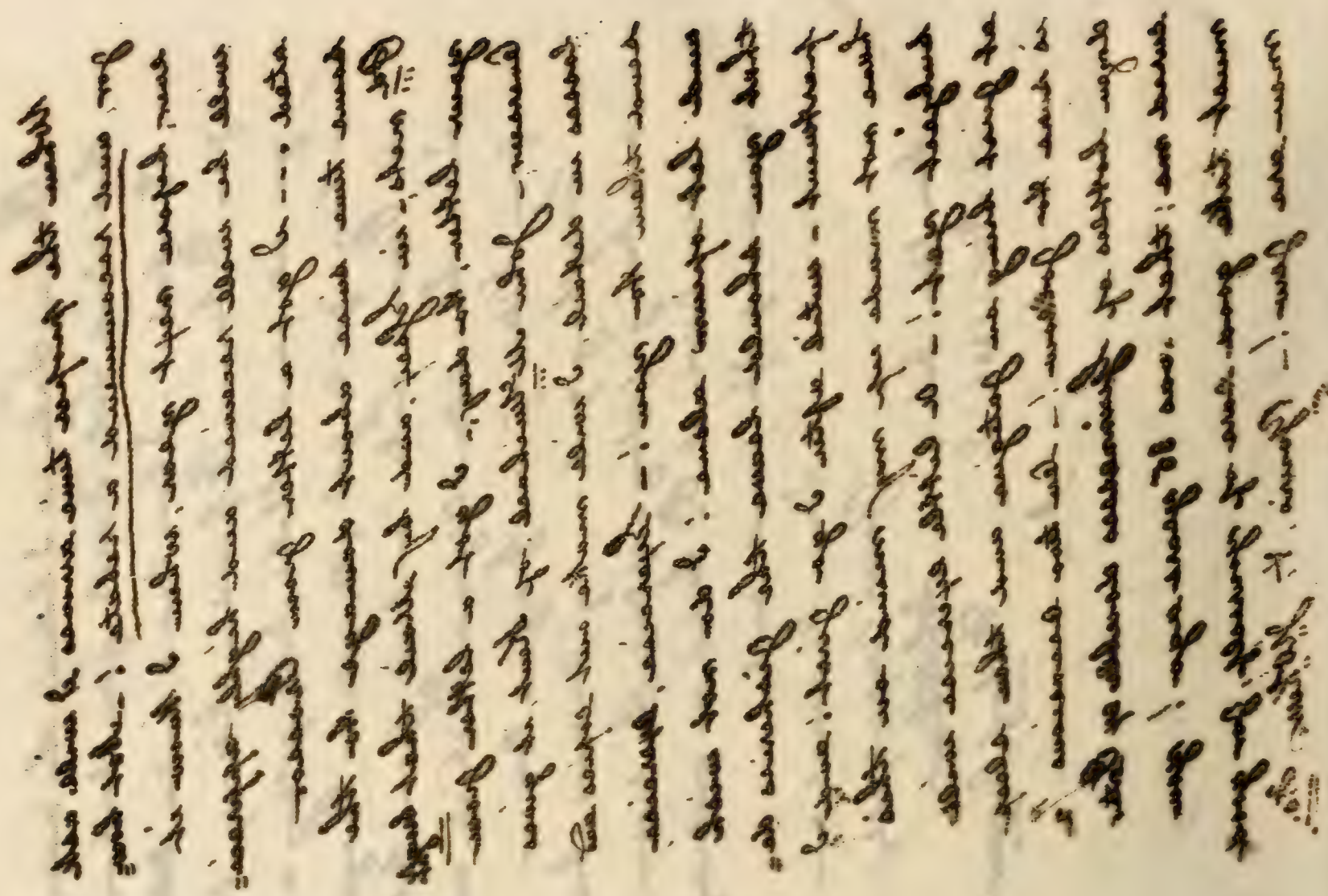


When the proper time arrives I will ask for, and recommend a rebate! — not however, before next year, when I know it will be well received and highly appreciated. — I got a letter from Chesser some time since about damage to the Pd. nets — in Grey, and he stole that bought your letter, to day. — I got a letter from Emerson — John McMichael of Kent, it gives losses in detail. I will make out copies and send them to you! — Experience, experience and let opinion alone! I do not wish that you should leave the fisheries department — until after I go first; and I have not made up my mind on this subject yet! — A little experience will at first bring on fatigue and then sleep is sure to follow! — In two occasions ½ dozen bottles of Guinnesses double ex Stt. cured me; that was 35 years ago! you must take good care of yourself, for good men are few! — Yours &c. J. O'Kane, &c.

James Webster Esq.
General Superintendent, —
The Ont. and Mt. W. Ry. —
Toronto. — Canada.

Mailed on the
17. November 1886. —
Milton P.O.



Thomas Alexander Cooper
Honorary Superintendent.
Office of the Chief Commissioner
Burma. — Rangoon.

Rangoon, the 1st November 1888.

Memorandum! for S. P. Bennett Esqre
Fisheries department. - Ontario!

As I wrote you some time ago! the Southampton fishermen are fishing: they do so every fall during "Close season" - and they can be found any day in mild weather, between White fish Islands (the fishing Islands) Lake Huron, and Kincardine bay. -

The nets will be set out about 4 miles from shore and are very easy to be found because they are all buoyed! and can be seen by any person who goes in search of them.

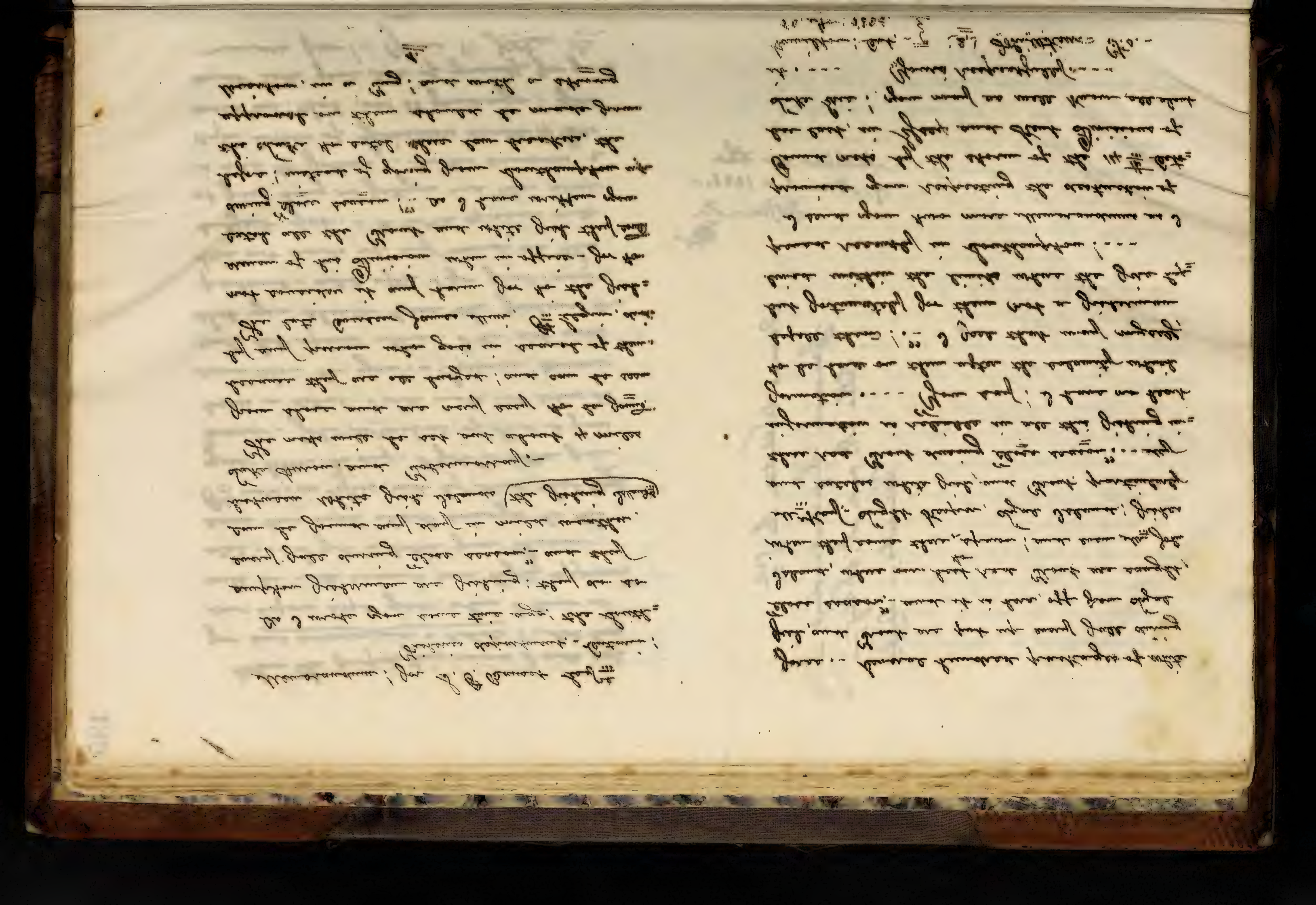
The late Overseer James Muir, Esq. Elgin, did not consider it any harm for to the fishermen of his Division when in office - for to catch all the Trout and white fish they could during "Close season"!. as I have written you before! instead of going from Southampton up the Lake to catch these law breakers, the approach on them should be made from Wiarton, in a Tug! and with a strong

force... Several hundred packages of white fish, and Trout are put up every fall during "Close season" - and it is here, off from Flat Island, where our best red Trout are caught, when they come there to spawn! and even Mr. John McKay - Light Keeper, Flat Island; fishes and catches white fish, and Trout particularly these red Trout during "Close season"!... My information is reliable in all this fishing information.... "You say! I have no heart to be hard on them after the calamity which befell them!." - I feel that way myself, but fortunately for them not a fisherman lived within the limits where the fire happened recently in Southampton!...

I send you two more Memorandums as I promised you respecting the destruction of Pound nets by the storm of the 14th October last, in Essex and Kent Divisions of Lake Erie! you may as well know all about it.... Yours respectfully....

Wm. Wilkins
Toronto, Ont. Oct. 4th 1884.

(2.) John Wilkins C.F.O.



East Division of Lake Erie !! .... Copy. ---

The following list will show as nearly as I could ascertain the loss in Twine &c. belonging to the Fishermen in my Division; during the gale of the 14th day of October 1886. ---

1. James Moody. - Lost 4 stakes, $6,- 50. Rods of lead $50, 8 Rods of heart, $8,- Crib, $10.- Total $74.00 ---
   Time lost, 2 weeks! ---
2. Fisher and Littleton, Lost 15, stakes $22.50 - 20 Rods of lead, $20.00 - Crib, $20,- Total $62.50 -
   Time lost, 3 weeks! ---
3. Lamarch, Bros. Lost 1. stake, $1.50 - Lead $20.00, Crib $15.00 - Total $36.50 ---
   Time lost, 2 weeks. ---
4. Augustus Coatsworth, Lost 6, stakes, $9.00 - 40 Rods of lead, $40.00 - One heart $10.00 - Crib $10.00 - Rope $4.00 - Total $73.00 -
   Cannot fish any more this fall !! -.
5. Isaac Quick ! - Lost 30. stakes $45.00 - 30 Rods of lead, $60.00 - Hearts $20.00 - Crib, $10.00 - Total, $135.00
   Cannot fish any more this fall ! - He hung out Rickford. ---
6. J. H. Watson, Lost 5 stakes, $7.50 - Lead $30.00 - Heart, $20.00 - Crib $35.00 - Rope $4.00 - Total $96.50
   Has not been able to set yet, and not likely to fish this fall ! -
7. James Claus. -- Fish House blown down; loss 25. Boat destroyed, $15.00 - Total $40.00 -
   Cannot fish any more this fall. -
8. Ransom Claus ... Lost 12 stakes $18.00 - Lead $40.00 Hearts $20.00 - Tunnel $10.00 - Buoys $8.00 - Rope $5.00 Total $101.00 - Had only one C. Net in; cannot fish any more this fall ! - He bought out D. Porter. -

Last Division of Corte Real ! ... Logging ...

The following list will show as nearly as a female accession the loss in Corte R. belonging to the Fishermen in my Division; during the week of the 14th day of October 1886 ...

1. James Allenby. - Lost 4 chores, $6. - 50. Hands of Lent $50.
8 Days of Lent, $8. - Paid $10. - Total $74.00 ...
This Lost 2 weeks ! ...
2. Fishermen Littlejohn. Lost 15 chores $22.50 - 20 Days of
Lent, $20.00 - Paid $20. - Total $62.50 -
This Lost 3 weeks ! ...
3. Clemmerch, Thos. Lost 1 chore, $1.50 - Clean $20.00
Paid $10.00 - Total $31.50 ...
This Lost 2 weeks ...
4. Augustus Bartlemarch, Lost 6 chores, $9.00 - 40 Days
of Lent, $40.00 - Ice Lent $10.00 - Paid $10.00 -
Tops $4.00 - Total $73.00 -
Cannot pay any more this week !! -
5. James Blunt :- Lost 30 chores $45.00 30 Days of Lent
$60.00 - Clean $20.00 - Paid $10.00 - Total $135.00
Cannot pay any more this week ! - He long -
out Bartlett ...
6. J. H. Watson, Lost 5 chores, $7.50 - Clean $30.00 -
Lent $20.00 - Paid $35.00 - Tops $4.00 - Total $66.50
Was not been able to get yet, owe not Entitled to
pay this week ! -
7. James Adams. -- Paid Jones Adams account, Lea $25.
Lost Bartlett, $15.00 - Total $40.00 -
Cannot pay any more this week. -
8. Thomas Adams. -- Lost 12 chores $18.00 - Clean $40.00
Lent $20.00 Tunnel $10.00 Tongs $8.00 - Tops $4.00
Total $101.00 - Was only one Quart in ! Cannot
pay any more this week ! - He bought out Q. Porter. -

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Continued !—

10. Ward and Shippey. — Lost 1 stake $1.50 — Lead $15.00 Hearts. $10.00 — Tunnel $10.00 — Crib $25.00 — Total $61.50. Time lost 17 days, — Set out the Net again, it was washed out and torn by a storm on the 13th instant. — —

11. Nathan Woods ! Lost 10 stakes, $10.00 — Lead, $80.00 Crib $10.00 — Total $100. — Lost 4 weeks. — —

12. Mathew Stammers ! Lost 10 stakes $10.00 Leads $50.00 2 Hearts $50.00; 2. Tunnels. $50.00, 2. Cribs $120.00 in all $. 260.00 — One net out 2 weeks. and One net out 28 days. — —

13. C. W. Gauthier ! Isaac Ames, — Foreman ! Lost 120 stakes $72.00. 2 Cribs $56.00, Rope $26.00 Total $154.00 — 2 Nets out fishing 2 weeks. — The other 2 Nets, are as yet lying on the bottom of the Lake; the men being as yet unable to find them. — —

Yours Respectfully, —
John McMichael. —
Fishery Overseer. —
Kent. — —
16. November 1886. —

J. W. Kerr, Esq.
Hamilton, Ont,

(2.)

The foregoing will show you how the Nets of Kent Division ! appeared after the storm of the 14th of October 1886. — in Lake Erie ! — Hamilton, Ont. —

S: C: Ramsay Esq.
Fisheries Department. —
Ottawa ! Ont. —

J. W. Kerr. — F.O.
18. Nov: 1886. —

Continued :-

10. Hard work shipping. - Cost 1 stove $1.50 - clean $15.00 stands $10.00 - Lumber $10.00 - Nails $25.00 - Total $61.50. This last 17 days, - take out the Cost of men it was needed out our time by a return on the 13th instant . - -

11. Portland Stove : Cost 10 stoves, $10.00 - clean $5.00 Nails $10.00 - Total $100. - Cost 4 months . - - -

12. Portland Stoves : Cost 10 stoves $10.00 clean $5.00 2 stands $50.00 ; 2. Lumber $50.00, 2. Nails $20.00 in all $250.00 - Was not out 2 months, and was not out 28 days . - - -

13. G. W. Portland : Stove Lime. Stoves : Cost 120 stoves $72.00. 2 Nails $10.00 Cleaning $24.00 Total $154.00 - 2 stoves out finishing 2 months . - The other 2 stoves, are on yet lying on the floor of the store; the men being on yet needed to finish them . - - -

Yours respectfully,
J. W. Ellis Co
Hamilton, Ont.
John McMichael.
Chief Engineer.
Ont. - -
16. November 1886.

(2.)

The foregoing was shown upon from the Chief of Fire Division : appeared upon the return of the 19th of October 1886. in their place :- Hamilton, Ont.
J. B. Kennedy
Fire Division Department.
Ottawa : Ont.
Witness — &c.
18. Nov: 1886.

My friend
Mrs Elliott — }
Niagara, }

Hamilton. Ont.
18. November 1886.—

I received a "Canada Post Card" from Mr John Bolton — also a letter, he wants to fish in Niagara River! on your Lewis Stanling grounds! I have answered his letter, and I told him you are all powerful, the power behind the throne in the case.. He will pay you handsomely, for the privilage of fishing: and you may as well be making some money by having Bolton fish the grounds.. — I will come down on next Monday evening and see you on the subject, in the mean time; think it over...

Mrs Kerr and the other members of my family are well! — I am well also! —

Kindly remember me to your daughters, I hope you and all are enjoying good health! and believe me Your friend! —

John W. Kerr

Hamilton! Ont:—
18. November 1886.—

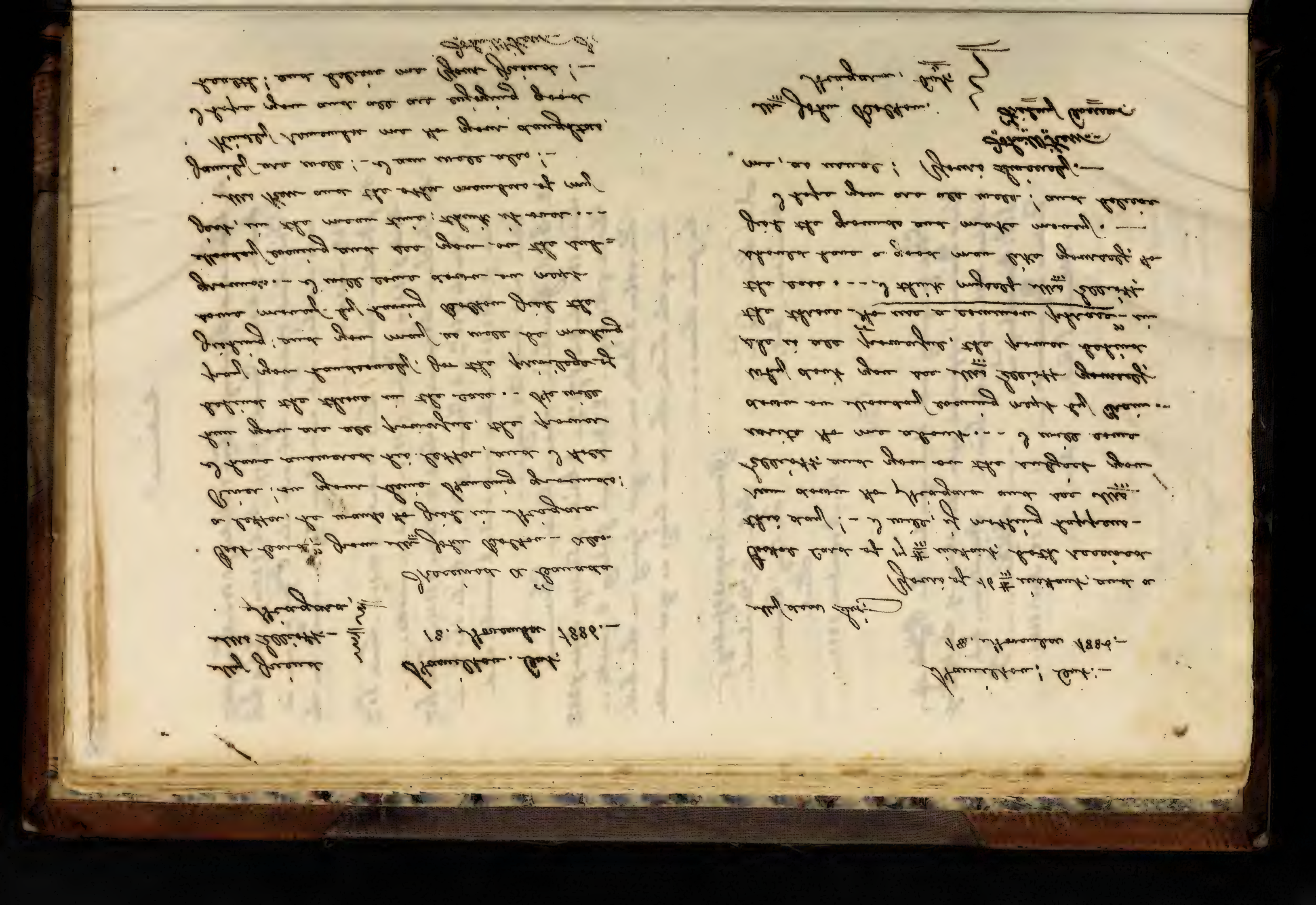
My dear Sir;—

Yours of 16th instant, and a Postal Card of 17th instant, both received this day! — I will, if nothing happens — come down to Niagara and see Mrs Elliott, and you on the subject you write to me about... I will come down on Monday evening next by Train.. why don't you see Mrs Elliott yourself, she is all powerful, the power behind the throne "to use a common phrase" — in the case... I think myself Mrs Elliott should have a good man like yourself, to fish the grounds and make money. —

I hope you are all well! and believe me, as usual! Yours Sincerely. —

John W. Kerr.
Fishery Overseer.

Mr John Bolton.
Niagara, Ont. }



Memorandum! for S. P. Rousselle Esqre
Fisheries Department
Ottawa! - Out! -

Just as I have already told you, Trout and White fish; being now fished for and caught during "Close season," - will be sold and forwarded to the Buyers as frozen fish; early in December! -

I will give you a case in point; - Malcolm Mackenzie of Southampton, has just written - to John Davis - fish dealer, Hamilton, asking how much frozen Trout and White fish he will require early in December next . . . Mackenzie - fishes at Tobermory. . . John S. Allan; Pt Dover, has written to - Robert Cline - fish dealer, Hamilton, to enquire if he wants Trout. - These Trout, Allan will get from Colpoys Bay, - Wiarton. - - -

Please order, Overseer D. Sharp, to examine the Fishers at Pt Dover, - [2] and report to the Department, the quantity of Trout and White

fish, therein at present. - - - The Pounds at Pt Dover and Hanticoke; were not damaged as bad; as in the other divisions of Lake Erie!!. Stir up Sharp!!.

Robert Cline, received 610,- pounds of Trout from Dan: McLeod, Southampton, on wednesday evening last, per Express, - frozen, from his Fishers! - I saw the Trout at 7. a.m. this morning, and I just told Cline, the next time he neglected to report the receipt of fish he got; I would give him a piece of my mind; and that in future McLeod, when he ships to him Trout, in "Close season" an affidavit, made before a Magistrate, that the fish were legally caught before 1st November must accompany the fish; otherwise I will seize them; and so it was after this; Cline, told me about John S. Allan. - - -

Davis - does not deal with McLeod, he deals with Macintosh of Meaford; who supplied him with fish before 1st November

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enabling him to take through with his business,
during the close season. —
It would be a good thing for the more Quiet
Lachiniam, if the civil at Lucknow.
I am greatly afraid the heavy gusting
and last night, will damage the
T. Refuge Gillets, fishing in the Elgin Bay
of Lake Sim, last week. —
Hoping you have settled as expressing, and
hoping that looking sleeps may soon - you
further; so that you may be restored to
refreshed me my sincere wishes for your
welfare. — —

Station Eng.re
Collector of Customs. — —
Collingwood. —

The attending report, if you, the superintendent
dent Lake Sim; Tug, one off, for something
else, I shall proceed to the Wiarton, and
from there to Gillets, and up the Lake
to Gillets. — You know all as
which is a comfort a point to
report what I know. Yours respectfully. —
Hamilton, Ont. John Wiker.
19. Nov: 1886.

The Grace Darling on her way to your
Port, with illegal caught fish on board,
detain them until Fishery Officer, on his way
arrives to seize them. — Read subsec-
tion 2. of section 11. — of Fisheries Act. —
Be prompt. — — By Order of Deputy
Hamilton, Ont. Minister! —
27. Nov: 1886. John Wiker. —
Fishery Overseer.

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Canada!-
Province of Ontario,
County of Grey,-
To Wit.-

To James Stewart, Esquire a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Grey.---

George S. Miller of Owen Sound in the County of Grey,- Fishery Overseer, Complains;

That Gilbert P. McIntosh, of the Town of Meaford, in the said County of Grey, on the 22nd day of November, A.D. 1886, at the Town of Meaford, in the said County of Grey; Did possess a quantity of fish, (Trout,) caught or Killed during Season, when and by means whereof catching or killing the same is prohibited by Law, in contravention of the Fisheries Act! Wherefore the Complainant prays That Judgement may be given against the said Gilbert P. McIntosh; as by the said Act, provided.---

"Signed,"- George S. Miller.---

"Immediate."- Hamilton.-
S. P. Bennet, 27. November 1886.
Fisheries Department,-
Ottawa. Ont.

I sent you Ten ducks on Friday.---

Get Deputy Minister of 25th, answer Meaford Mac Intosh report at once, I must leave here at six a.m. on next Tuesday and produce it at the adjourned trial!-- on Wednesday, at Ten a.m.-

John W. Kerr.-
Fishery Overseer.-

Judgment.-

Immediate!-
Province of Ontario,
County of Grey.-
To wit.-

To pass without judgment is a
justice of the Peace in and for the
County of Grey. - - -

Judgment & Adjudication of Common Assault
in the County of Grey. - Stirling Emerson Complainant;
"That Gilbert O. Mc Intosh, of the Town of Allen=
ford, in the said County of Grey, on the 22nd day
of November, A.D. 1886, at the Town of Meaford, in
the said County of Grey: did possess a quantity
of Gold, (Dust,) bought or trafficked during Lenten,
when out by means whereof catching or killing the
same is prohibited by law, in contravention of the
Fisheries Act! Wherefore the Complainant prays
that judgment may be given against the said
Gilbert O. Mc Intosh; as by the said Act, pro=
vided. - - -

"Judgment" Judge & Adjudication. - - -

"Immediate"- Hamilton, -
G. O. Mc Intosh 27. November 1886.
Fisheries Department, -
Ottawa. Out
Sir, I have
this details on Friday. - - -

Yet Department will insist, however, upon
your distinct report at once, I must leave
here at day & so, so must trouble you
to forward it at the enforcement trial! -
on Wednesday, at the Stirling Emerson. -
O. m. -

Copy. -

Province of Ontario.
County of Grey. -
To Wit. - - -

To, G. O. McIntosh, of the Town of Meaford, in the County of Grey, - Fisherman. -

Whereas complaint has this day been made before me that you have in your possession about Eight (8) Tons of Salmon Trout, caught in the Georgian Bay, between the 1st and the 22nd day of November A. D. 1886. - in contravention of the Fisheries Act. - -

Therefore you are hereby commanded to come before me at the Town Hall, in the Town of Meaford, on the Twenty third day of November at Ten o'clock in the forenoon, - to answer the said Complaint, and to be dealt with according to Law. -

Witness my hand and seal this 22nd day of November 1886. - - -

"Signed," James Stewart, J. P. seal,
Justice of the Peace for the
County of Grey. -

Before.-

Province of Saskatchewan.
Township of Yorkton.
To Wit. ---

The H. G. Allen Justice of the Town of Yorkton, in the Township of Yorkton. Saskatchewan.

Whereas complaint has this day been made before me that you have in your possession about half a (½) Cord of Balsam Cheap length in the Township Yorkton between the 1st and the 22nd day of November A.D. 1886. in contravention of the Saskatchewan Act. ---

Therefore you are hereby commanded to come before me at the Town Hall, in the Town of Yorkton, on the Twenty third day of November at the o'clock in the forenoon, to answer the said complaint and to be dealt with according to law. -

Witness my hand and seal this 22nd day of November 1886. ---

"Signed." James Allanson J.P. seal
Justice of the Peace for the
Township of Yorkton. -

Copy. - - -

The Fisheries Act. - - -

In the matter of the Complaint of George S. Miller, Fishery Overseer, against G. P. McIntosh, of Meaford, a Fish Dealer. - - -

I admit having in my possession the quantity of fish (Trout) charged in the complaint; but I say that about some seven Tons of such fish were caught before the 1st November instant, and were received by me on monday 1st November, from Tails Point, Georgian Bay; - and have remained in my possession ever since. - - -

And as to the remaining Ton! I admit a contravention of the said Fisheries Act. - - -

Dated at Meaford, this 23rd November 1886. -

"Signed" G. P. McIntosh. -

George S. Miller. -
Fishery Overseer. -
Owen Sound! -

The Grace Darling on her way to Collingwood from Killarney - with illegal caught fish on board; - Proceed on receipt to Collingwood; and seize the fish - if she calls at Owen Sound, seize - e at Owen Sound! be prompt. - -

Hamilton, - 27. Nov. 1886. } John W. Kerr. Fishery Overseer.

Jacquy . . .

The Fishers Act . . .

In the matter of the Judgment of George A. Miller, Fishery Officer, against J. O. M^c. Sutherland of Alexandria.

" Mr. Sheehan . . .

I submit having in my possession the quantity of fish (trout) charged in the Judgment, but I say that about some seven lbs of such fish were caught before the 1st November instant and were received by me on morning 1st November, from Little Bonit Jacquin Bay - and have remained in my possession ever since . . .

But as to the remaining lbs. I submit a construction of the said Fishers Act . . .

Dated at Alexandria, this 23rd November 1886.

Signed: J. O. M^c. Sutherland.

George A. Miller.

Fishery Officer.

Seven Pounds !

The Honorable Sheehan on behalf of Fishery Officer, with affidavit and fish - Crown on receipt of Judgment & Sentence; & if also guilty of Seven Pounds being - of Seven Pounds ! be prompt . . .

Honorable - Sutherland

23 Nov: 1886. Fishery Officer.

Hamilton, Ont. -

25. November 1886. -

Sir, -

In obedience to your order, and on receipt of your telegraph, I proceeded immediately to Owen Sound; where I arrived on Saturday night last the 20th November instant, at 10.30. p.m. - and on Sunday, I put myself in communication with Overseer, George S. Miller, the Local officer in charge, and at 4. p.m. we started by Team from Owen Sound to Meaford; distance about 18 miles; where we arrived at 8. p.m same evening ....

On sunday night, Overseer George S. Miller and myself watched the Harbour of Meaford, until 12.30, a.m, and we got up at 4. a.m. and returned to the Harbour again where we remained until after day light on Monday morning.

I then sent for Mr Gilbert P. McIntosh, and on his arrival at the Queens Hotel: I enquired from him the compliment and quantity of fish he had laid down in his Freezer, his reply was 8 Tons of Salmon Trout, and a few white fish. ..

That he had got in 5. Tons of these fish, on the 1st day of November instant, and laid them down in the Freezer, on the 2nd day of November instant: ... And that the balance about 3 Tons, he had received since .... The 5 tons, being caught in October.

I then informed Mr G. P. McIntosh, - the instructions I had received from you, regarding these Trout, &c, and that Overseer George S. Miller, was instructed by you for to seize the fish; and the Overseer done so, as already reported by me to you ....

On receipt of your further instructions, I had

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.

Sir,

25 November 1886.

In obedience to your order, sent on receipt of your telegram, I proceeded immediately to Grey House; where I arrived on Saturday night last the 20th November instant, at 10.30 p.m. and on Sunday, I put myself in communication with Barnes, George & Miller, the above officers in charge and at 4 p.m. we started by Grey Bruce Railway to Meaford; distance about 18 miles; where we arr at 8 p.m. on same evening ...

On Sunday night, Barnes George & Miller, instructed the drivers of Meaford, until 12.30 a.m. and we got up and returned at 4 a.m. to the drivers again where we remained until after day light on Monday morning.

I then sent for Mr Gilbert C. McD. Buford, and on his arrival at the Queens Hotel, I enquired from him the complement and quantity of fuel he had laid down in his Storage, his reply was 8 tons of Lehigh Coal, and a few cords fuel ...

That he had got in 5 tons of this fuel, on the 1st day of November instant, and had thrown down in the Storage, on the 2nd day of November instant ... Also that the balance about 3 tons, he had received since ... The 5 tons being caught in Bailey.

I then informed Mr C. McD. Buford, the instructions I had received from you, respecting this Coal. He said that Barnes George & Miller, was instructed by you to bring the fuel; and the Barnes Bros to be already reported by me to you ...

On receipt of your further instructions, I had

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Railways,
Ottawa, Ont.

the Complaint made before James Stewart Esqre J. P. - See Copy No: 1. - herewith. - - -

A Summons was issued and served on Mr. G. P. McIntosh, and he appeared before the Magistrate, in obedience to the summons, at 10, a. m. - on 22nd November instant. - - "Copy No: 2." -

I was in attendance, so was Constable Miller, and Mr. Pollard, Barrister, at Law; whom I employed as you instructed me. - - - And we were ready to go on with the case. - - -

Mr. McIntosh, was in attendance, with his Counsel, a Mr. Wilson! The case was called, when Mr. Wilson, in behalf of the defendant, handed in to the Court, Mr. McIntosh, admission an arrangement come to by Counsel; of submitting the case to you! See document No: 3. - -

An adjournment was asked for and granted, so as to enable me to report the foregoing facts to you: - - which I deemed it advisable to do. - - -

I may here report to you that on the 9th instant, Constable George S. Miller, captured 57. - Salmon Trout, at Meaford; - the boat and fisherman, who brought these fish there cleared out, no one would claim the fish, and so by an arrangement with the Reeve of Meaford and the Constable, the 57. Salmon Trout, were given to deserving poor of Meaford. - - -

It is 14 years, since I first visited Meaford and Cape Rich, - on Georgian Bay, - Mr. G. P. McIntosh, then lived at Cape Rich, and ~~was~~ as your Constable, we became personally acquainted; I believe Mr. McIntosh, a worthy man; The temptation is great, and in submitting the case for your information

The Sergeant made Lapse Jones Element Sgt. J. G. See Copy No: 1. herewith. ---

A Summons was issued out hence on Mr. G. Mc Dutch, out to appearance before the Magistrate, in defence to the summons, at 10, a.m. on 22nd November instant. --- Copy No: 2. --

I was in attendance, as was Barrow Willie, and Mr. Gilbert, Barrister, at law: return Summons on you instantly me --- But we were heavily to go on with the case. ---

Mr. McDutch was in attendance with his Counsel, & Mr. Milligan! The case was called, with Mr. Milligan, in behalf of the defendant Counsel in to the Court Mr. McDutch, admission an arrangement came to by Counsel: of submitting the case to you; See document No: 3. --

The adjournment was called for out yesterday, so as to enable me to report the proceeding back to you: -- which I deemed it advisable to do. ---

I may here report to you that on the instant, Barrow Young & Willie, captured Sgt. Nelson Grant, at Albert: the last out Friday evening, with Three Girl Slaves, cleared out; we would claim the Girl, out to be by an arrangement with the Crew of Albert out the Barrow, the Sgt. Nelson Grant was given to deserving Crew of Albert. ---

It is 14 years, since I first visited Albert out lape last, on Thursday last. Mr. G. McDutch, the last at lape Grant, out — as you Barrow, we have personally acquainted; I believe Mr. McDutch, a worthy man; The temptation is great out in enlarging the case for your information

Mr.

I have been advised by friends of the Administration to respectfully recommend that in deciding this case you will be merciful. - - -

I may also mention in connection with this case, that the Trout caught come under the denomination - "Black Trout," - and are never caught at any other season of the year. -

And except the red fin Trout, caught still later on in the season; "Black trout," are most best trout in Georgian Bay. - - -

Taking a common sense view of this case, in connection with the Fishermen, friends and supporters of Sir John A. Mac Donalds, Ministry, I feel me to report to you that an entire month of 30, days is too long to have young fishermen lying idle. - - -

The case was adjourned until the 1st of December next, so as to give me an opportunity of reporting to you; and of obtaining your decision in the premises. - -

All of which is respectfully submitted, and recommended for your consideration and that of the Hon.ble The Minister. - - -

John W. Kerr. -
Fishery Overseer,

P.S.

I have to appear before the adjourned Court, on the 1st of December next, with your decision in reply to this report. -

John W. Kerr. - J.P.

I have been assured by persons of the Communities to respectfully recommend that in declining this case you will be merciful . . . .

I must also mention in connection with this case, that the Court sought some under the co-mmission = "Robert Grant;" must are never sought at any other season of the year . —

Must except the case for "Grant sought this letter in the season; "Robert Grant;" was sent last Grant in January last . . . .

Having a common sense view of this case, in connection with the Criminal Prisoners must sup-portion of the Jail &c. where Should, ultimately, not are to report to you that an entire month of 30, days is too long to have young Prisoners lying idle . . . .

We see were assignment with the Act of Assembly next, so as to give me an op-portunity of reporting to you; must of obtaining your decision in premises . . .

Use of which is respectfully submitted must recommendation for your consideration and that of the Hon the Attorney . . . .

Michael Hanson

Thirsty Canada

P.S.

I have to appear before the assignment Court, on the 1st of December next, with your de-cision in reply to this report . —

Michael Hanson &c.

Hamilton, Ont.
25. November 1886.---

Sir, -

In connection with the case against of Gilbert McIntosh, Fish dealer, at Meaford, adjourned to the 1st of December next; "For having Salmon Trout in his possession at Meaford on the 22nd of November, caught during close season, in contravention of the Fisheries Act".--

Will you be pleased to send me a cheque for $50. for the pay current expenses. —

I have the Honor to be,
Sir, —
Your Obedient Servant,
John Wiser.
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont. —

Sir, the remarks the schooner etc. is owned by Mr. Shaw ... People unanimously are glad to see a schooner against McIntosh, that is well known to be a notorious poacher, that is in the habit of doing business in this way. I have seen the fish in question, the fish of McIntosh, which he sold to Shaw, and I know that McIntosh is a dealer, and the fish he purchased from the Indians, he sold to Shaw, who is a dealer, and he sold them to the Chicago market. I have seen the fish myself, and I know that they were Salmon Trout. I have written the Deputy Minister, Hamilton, and I have asked him for a cheque for $50. for the pay current expenses. I get from 10 to 15 dollars a month, and I have to pay my own board. I have written to the Deputy Minister, Hamilton,

Hamilton, Ont.

26th November 1886.

Sir,

In connection with the case against Gilbert Gilbert, Esq., this day at Hagersville, adjourned to the 1st of December next; I beg leave to state that in his possession at Hagersville on the 22nd of November, I caught during that season, in contravention of the Fishing Act:—

Kindly you be pleased to send me a cheque for $20.00 for the said amount expended.—

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Chief Inspector.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

Private!

Mem: Nor S. P. Bancroft Esqre
F. department. —

Ottawa, Ont. —

I got back here on yesterday afternoon from Owen Sound, and Meaford. —

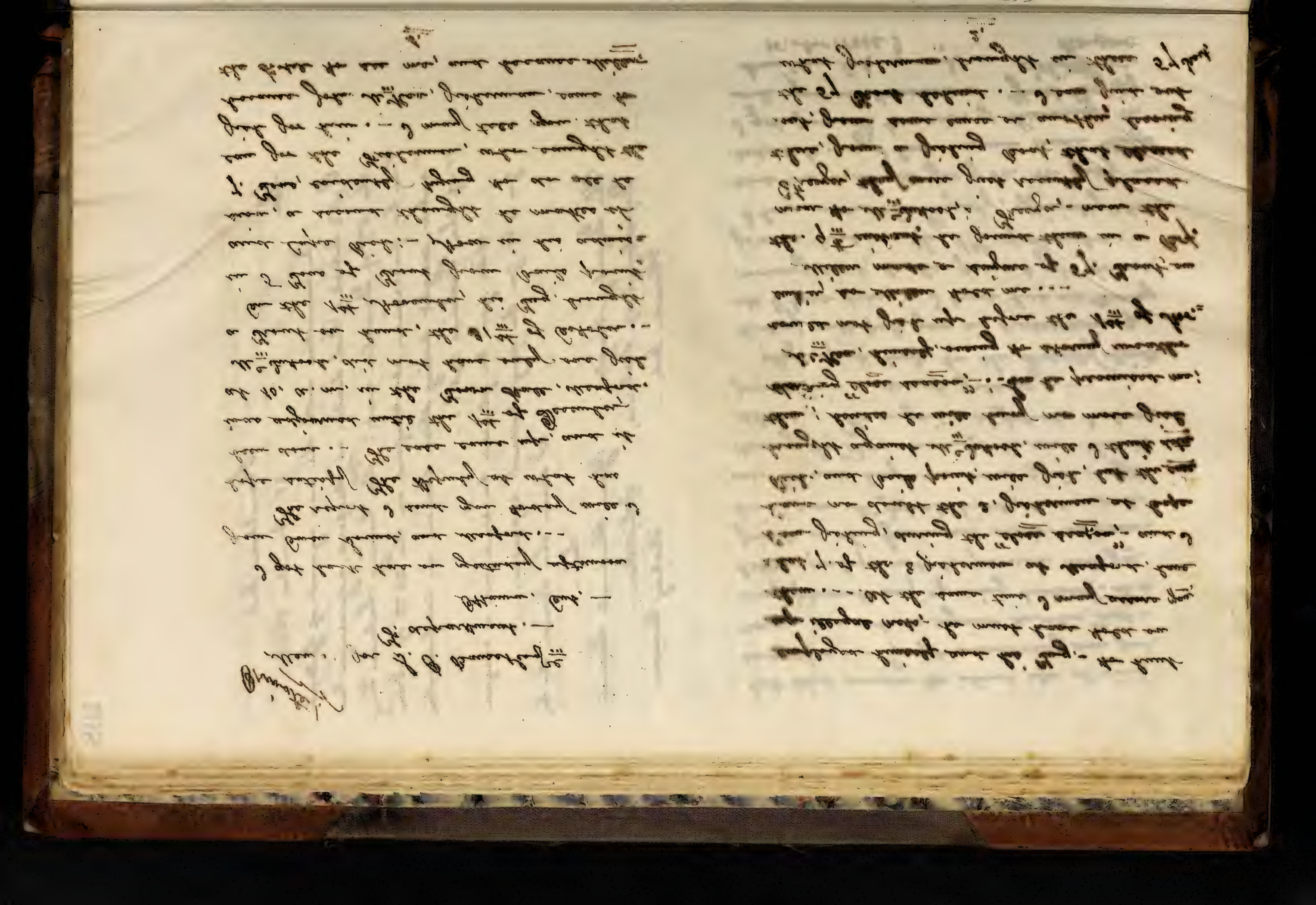
The report I send you today will I hope satisfy The Deputy at what has been done. — The case came up, and it was adjourned until the 1st of December, at 10. a. m. in the Town Hall, Meaford. Mr Dutch, did not have only one fish a Trout on hand, the 31st of October. —

On the 1st November, his Boy, brought in 5 Tons of Trout from Baile point, and Capa Rich: — Now in his address, a second thought he makes it 7. Tons, evidently trying to do all he can for the Fisherman, who caught the fish for him. — I may tell you that because John McKee, fisherman, came to the Hotel to see me, and because Miller,

employed himself and his Boy, to hunt up illegal nets, he must have told on them. — At the same time I may assure you, that 7. of the 8 fishermen at Meaford, have been fishing, during the "close season", — and I have no doubt the 2. fishermen at Capa Rich, and Baile point, will fish, but the case brought against Mr Dutch, will I think deter them; besides he will buy no more fish during "close season", — so he promised me;

Mr McKee, himself, owing to stormy weather could not fish up before the 1st of November, so Miller told me. —

Miller made a seizure of 57. Trout, on the 9th instant, he found them in a Barn near Mr Dutch's Freezer, — near the Freezer, they were just recently placed there, from a fishing Boat, that stood out, from some cause or another, leaving the 57 Trout behind. — I can find out what fisherman, brought in these 57 Trout,



Please find receipt herewith a receipt for $50.— on acct of this = business.—

Hamilton, Ont.
27. Nov: 1886.

John W. Kerr
Esq.
Toronto.

Duplicate Receipt for $197 00 you will please find herewith, as requested by you:

Hamilton, Ont.
26. November 1886.

John W. Kerr
Esq.
T.O.

Hamilton, Ont.
3rd December 1886.

My Friends! —

Yours received, I intend going to Niagara on next monday; and so you may expect the Boat and Cars next week. — I was again in Alliston and Collingwood this week, left Collingwood at 6, a.m. — thursday; went and returned by Toronto; only it was so cold could have stopped over Train at Ft. Credit, I wanted to see you but it will keep! — I had a talk with Washington today, he has put in the answer and doubt they will win the case for you; however they, Hoskat and Co. have asked to adjourn the case until next spring. —

They are so busy they dont care going Brampton — the present, and I am so busy, I dont care about going next Court neither. — I hope you are all well. —

Mr. Franklin Reid,
Mrs. Charlotte Reid,
Collingwood — Ont.

Your friend,
John W. Kerr.

Three Point Insight Assessments =
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27. Nov: 1886. = Training Course.

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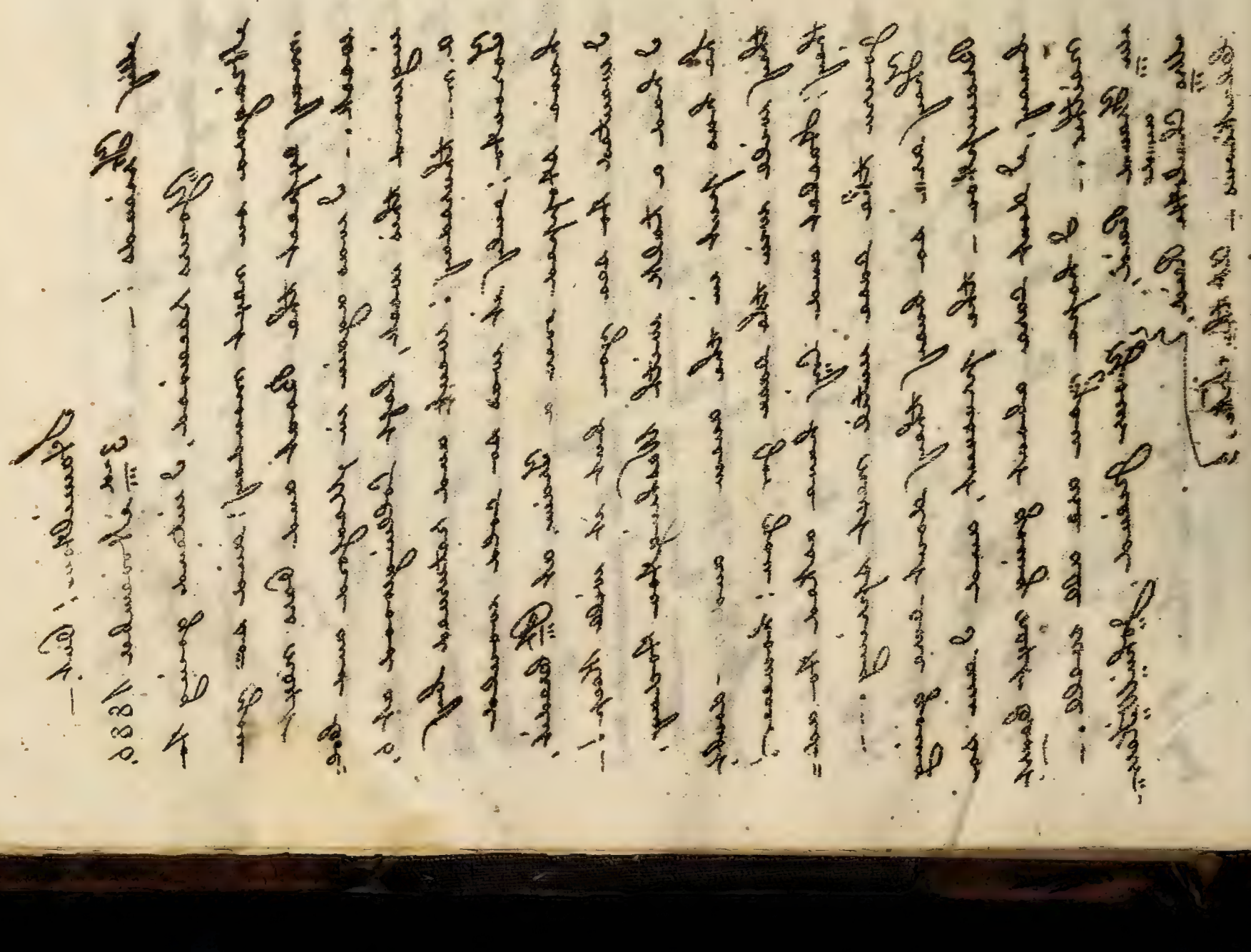

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Mr Thos: Elliot,
Fisherman. -
Pt Burwell, -
Ont.

Mailed on 27.
Nov: 1886.

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Mr Frank Jackson. -
Fisherman! -
Pt Burwell,
Ont.

Mailed on 27.
Nov: 1886. -

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Mr D. M. Foster,
Fisherman,
Pt Burwell,
Ont. -

Mailed on 27.
November 1886.

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Mr Wm Montgomery,
No: 140. Front Street.
Toronto.
Ont.

Mailed on 27.
Nov: 1886. -

One Printed License,

Mr Charles Magaloon Pb.
Fisherman,
Port Burwell. -
Ont.

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Private

Hamilton, Ont.
28. November 1886.—

Sir,

With reference to my report to you of the 25th instant, I now send you the copy of a letter I received from Overseer, George S. Miller, of Owen Sound.— The contents of this letter is already embodied in my said report to you: of the G. P. McIntosh, Meaford, Contravention of the Fisheries Act: see copy No: 1. attached.—

Now according to Mr D. W. Ports— private letter to me; see No: 2. attached.—

These 2, refrigator car loads of fish, containing at least two tons,— places McIntosh, in a worse position still.—

I will go to Toronto, on Tomorrow monday morning, and I will seize these fish, after I see D. W. Port, and will then report further particulars to you.— I have arranged with the Post Master, here to— get your letter, in re— McIntosh, at 4.30, p. m, this afternoon, when I will mail this, so that you may be made aware, what is further being done.—

With due respect,

I have the Honor to be,
Sir,—
Your Obedient Servant.—
John Wiker.—
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa,— Ont.

P.S.— You can telegraph or write me to Meaford.
I have a look out for The Grace Darling fish, will see Superintendent of Northern railway,— have telegraphed Customs, Collingwood to retain the fish, and Miller to go there and seize them.— J.W.Kerr— J.O.

Hamilton, Ont.

28. November 1886. –

Sir,

With reference to my report to you of the 25th instant, I now send you the copy of a letter I received from Messrs. Gregg & Miller, of Owen Sound. – The contents of this letter is already embodied in my basis report to you: of the Mr. Gatt, albeit, contravention of the Railway Act: see copy also: A. attached. – Now according to Mr. Gatt's private letter to me, see also: B. attached. – –

These I respectfully beg leave of you, commencing at least two days, please Mr. Gatt in a more positive title. – – –

I will go to Toronto on Monday morning, and I will bring these with, after I see Mr. Gatt, and will then report further position here to you. – I have arranged with the Gatt Miller, here to-day, upon further in re. Mr. Gatt at 4.30 p.m. this afternoon, when I will mark this, so that you may be more aware, what is further being done. – – –

With due respect,

I have the honor to be,

Sir, –

Your obedient servant. –

Chief Engineer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Railways,
Ottawa. – Ont.

P.S. – Upon telegraph or write me to Toronto, I have a lot out for the three Barking Pit, with the Superintendent of Northern Railway. – have telegraphed Bunkum, Collingwood to return the pit, and deliver to me, and bring them. – – Yours &c.

No: 1.

Copy.

J. W. Kerr, Esq.
Fishery Overseer.
Hamilton.

Owen Sound.
24. November 1886.

Dear Sir,

On the 9th instant, I seized one Mr. Gilbert C. McIntosh, Fish Dock one Box, containing fifty seven fresh caught Lake Trout, which had been caught that day in contravention of the Fisheries Act, which fish were confiscated and distributed to the deserving poor of the Town of Meaford. - And on the 22nd day of November, by instructions through you of the fishery Department about Eight Tons of frozen fish which were said to have been caught during the "Close season", which Mr. McIntosh acknowledged that about five Tons of them had been caught before the close time commenced; but were brought to the Freezer, on the first day of the "Close season", viz: on Monday, 1st November. - - -

And after due consideration by Messrs. Stewart and the Mayor of Meaford who were the sitting Magistrates on the case allowed an adjournment of 8 days in order to submit the case through Mr. Kerr to the Fisheries department for their mature consideration and approval, to be returned by the 1st day of December 1886. - -

Requesting you to submit this to The deputy Minister of Fisheries at Ottawa. - -

Dear Sir, -
Your Obedient Servant. -
George L. Miller. - -
Fishery Overseer,
Owen Sound Division. - - -

No: 1.

Copy.

J. W. Ross Esq.
Chief Engineer — Town Council.
Hamilton. — 24. November 1886.

Dear Sir,

In the Parliament I brought
on the Petition of Mr. Dutch, Stark Street was there con=
sidering if that town had bought clothes street which
had been bought that day in contemplation of the
Railway but which had more benefactors and dis=
tributors to the assessing poor of the Town of Alber=
port. — Since on the 22nd day of November, by
instructions through you of the Finance Department
about light time of foreign Pick which were said
to have been bought during the "Close season" which
Mr. Dutch acknowledges that about five time
of them had been bought before the close time
commenced; but more brought to the Charge on
the first day of the "Close season", viz: on
Monday, 1st November. — —

But after the consideration of Mr. Dutch
and the Mayor of Alberport who were the letting
Appointees on the Close Season on Government
of 8 days in order to contract the case through
Mr. Ross to the Fisheries Department for their
consideration, was approved, to be returned
by the 1st day of December 1886. — —

Requesting you to submit this to the Deputy
Minister of Fisheries at Ottawa. — —

Dear Sir, —

Your Obedient Servant. —
George A. Miller. — —
Fishery Overseer.
Town Council Minion. — —

Copy of

Extract from a letter dated Toronto, November 26th 1866. I have received this 27th instant, from Mr D. W. Port. — Thus: —

Mrs Doyle received you when you were here on Tuesday, the 16th instant. —

She got in a bee of Jack that same evening from McIntosh, and Johnson, has been watching them ever since, but had not pluck enough to sing them. —

I will tell you all about when I see you. —

Yours &c.
Signed
D. W. Port.

J. W. Kerr Esqre
Fishing Tackle,
Hamilton, Ont.

Copy.

Inclosed you a letter wrote Twenty months
24th 1786. I have received this 27th instant from
my Cousin Wm. Burt. Thus:-

My Single cousin you wrote you were
here on twenty the 15th instant.

The part in I have of just that cause
twenty pounds 11d. stated, and I know, for I am
nothing else more sure, but I have not plead
enough to say thus.-

I make bold you see what I write I am
your affectionate
friend &c.

Wm. Burt.

Mr. Wm. Lee
Merchant Tenant
Hamilton. Bot.

Hamilton, Ont. –
20. December 1886. –

My dear Sir. –

Will you be pleased to let me have a copy of the Road Law, for opening the road on the brow of the Mountain, through lots Nos 5. and 6. in the 4th Concession of Barton; belonging to Mr Samuel Randell and myself.

I will pay you the usual fee for doing so. – Believe me! –

Yours Sincerely –
John W. Kerr
Lot No: 6. 4. Con:
Barton. –

Robert D. Beasley Esq.
Township Clerk. –
Barton –
Hamilton Post office,
Ont. –

Hamilton, Ont. –
28. December 1886.

Sir.

I am in receipt of your telegraph respecting the Grace Darling picket. – I have telegraphed the bailiffs of Customs at Collingwood to detain them when they arrive there, and I have instructed Captain Miller of Owen Sound, to place a book out for the vessels at Owen Sound, in case the sailors in them to present at once the bailiff at Collingwood.

I will write on the General Superintendent of the Northern, and N.N. railway, on the morrow, and show him your telegraph. – after I get through at Toronto myself on tomorrow, I will go on to Collingwood. –

Respectfully submitted. –
John Wilkie –
Fishery Commr.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont. –

28. November 1885.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your telegraph requesting the Queen Building Lot. – I have telegraphed the Bailiffs of Dundas at Hollingsworth to ascertain when they arrive there, and I have instructed Barnes Miller of Grove House, to place a lock out for the vessel at Grove House, in case the bailiffs in time, and then to proceed at once to Hollingsworth. –

I will see in the General Superintendent of the Northern, and if need, telegraph on morrow, and show him your telegraph. –

After I get through at Dundas myself on Tuesday, I will go on to Hollingsworth. –

Respectfully submitted. –

Chas. Mitchell. –

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

Fishing Season.

Hamilton, Ont.

28. November 1885.

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Respectfully submitted. –

Chas. Mitchell. –

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

Fishing Season.

Mr. R. Emery Esqre
Merchant,
Pt. Burwell. –

Hamilton, Ont.
29. November 1886. –

My dear Mr. Emery,

Yours received, glad to hear you are all well! sorry to find a grit hitch in the Elgin voters list. – Got home on last wednesday at 1. p. m. no breakfast until I got here. – –

Went from Owen Sound by team 20 miles to Meaford between 4 and 8 p. m. on sunday, watched the Harbour all night, for illegal fishermen, hanged 8 tons of Trout in Meaford on monday morning, case came before the Magistrate, on tuesday, defendant pleaded guilty – case adjourned until next wednesday at 10. am, reported and got up further instructions from Ottawa. Off this morning to Toronto, Collingwood and Meaford to matte other seizures! – Such is life!

Will you accept my warm regards for yourself and wishes and kind feelings for me always. – – –

If a few more friends – all Pt. supporters of Sir John. – Kennedy who I hope will get there, Senator Plumb, Bystart, Dr. Ferguson, &c, said so to John A, that thing you refer to, could be done. – –

It is not yet 6. a. m. while I write these words to you. – –

That $5. bill, my dear friend, that your honest girl, picked up, is not mine: – I never lose any money, except once, I lost a 1/2 sovereign, and I think over that loss to this day!! – So far as I feel on the subject, and as you dont claim it; why I suppose it fairly belongs to your honest girl. – I once found £30, – if there is any thing to be admired so much one thing above another it is honesty. – To find money and keep it, is stealing! but as you say, only you or I, are concerned! why let your honest girl, have the $5. – With warm regards, –

Yours Sincerely. – Jos. W. Kerr – M. P.

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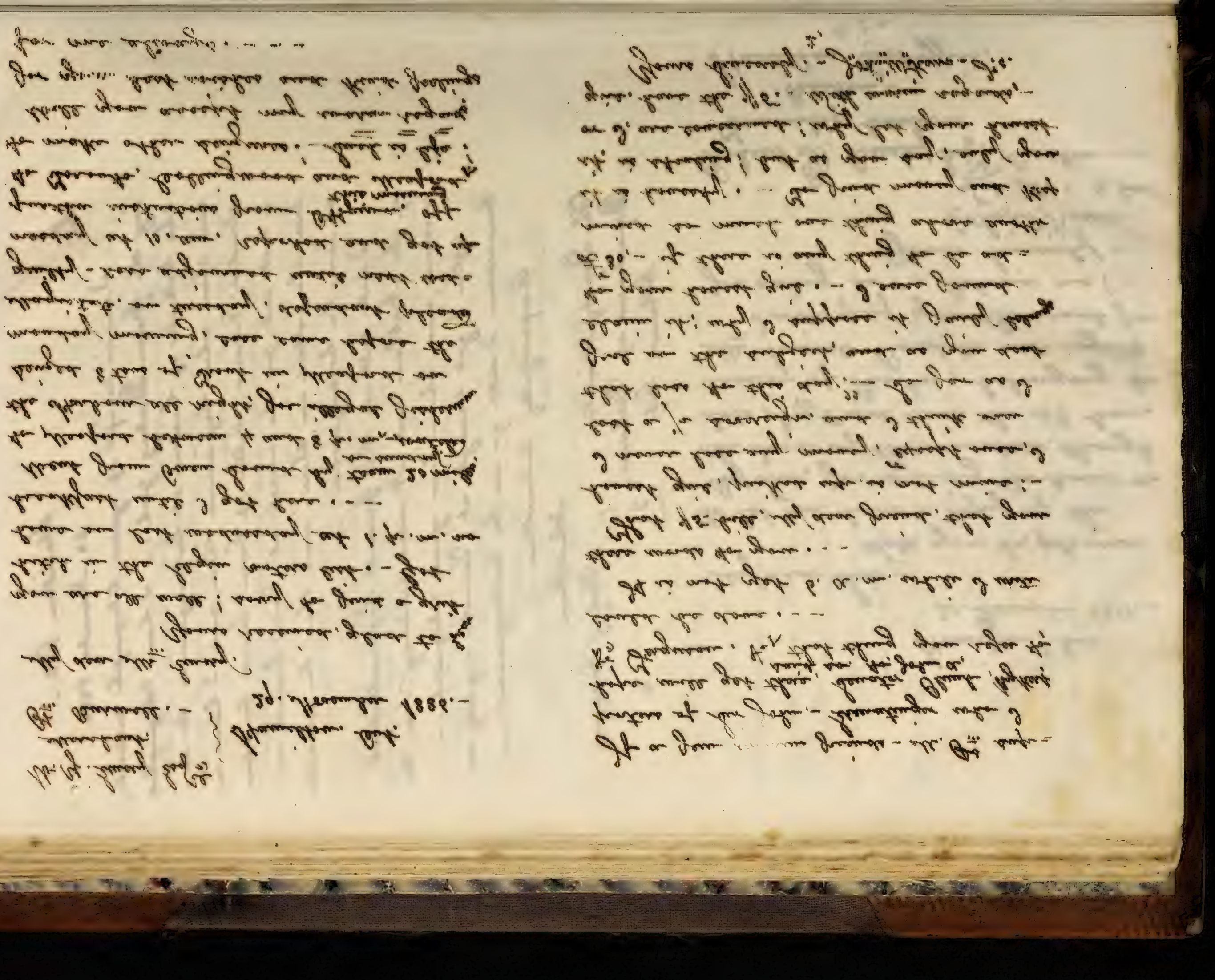

Hamilton, Ont.—
3rd December 1886.—

Sir,—

I have the honor to send you herewith, Bank draft, No: 98,— for the sum of Forty-one dollars.....

Will you be pleased to apply this amount as herein set forth, for and during this current year of 1886!— viz:—

1. Richard Jaffe, Burlington Beach; "For a Boat license to fish gill nets in the waters of Lake Ontario fronting on the Townships of Saltfleet, and Grimsby" the amount is herewith sent;— $5.00 c.—
2. Wm. P. Depew, do,— do,— do,— 5.00 c.—
3. Robert Webster, do,— do,— do,— "{On act of Boat license.}" 3.00 c.—
4. Mr Williams, Port Burwell, "For a small Seine license, to fish in Lake Erie" already received and delivered.— Amount sent is.— $3.00 c.

These licenses received and delivered!— Total.— $16.00 c.—

Add! amount received for about One Ton of Salmon Trout; seized by Overseer Geo: S. Miller, of Owen Sound, for a contravention of the fisheries act,— Mr Gilbert P. McIntosh, of Meaford, was convicted and fined $5. and $3.85 c. costs, for having the same in his possession! see my letter of report to you herewith! amount, $25.00 c.

Grand Total.— $41.00 c.

Respectfully submitted.—

I have the Honor to be,
Sir,—
Your Obedient Servant.—
John W. Kerr.—
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.,
3rd December 1886.

Sir,

I have the honor to send you herewith Bank draft No: 98, for the sum of Twenty-one dollars.

While you be pleased to supply this amount as herein set forth, for such showing this amount upon of 1886, viz:

1. Bailiff Chapple, Dunlington Board: "For a that license to pick pole rats in the wards of Clarke, Darling, pertaining on the Township of Hallfleet, over Plumbly" the amount in herewith sent: $5.00
2. Mr. C. Chapman, do., do., do., do., 5.00
3. Robert Webster, do., do., do.,
4. Mr. Wilkinson, Port Dunnage, "For a single license to pick in clerk due" already remit and delinquent... Amount sent in. $3.00

Three licenses remitted and delinquent! Total $15.00

Note: Amount remitted for school fees of Salmon Street, Burgess for Beaver Ave: 6 children, of Grove Avenue, for a contravention of the Pickings act, - Mr. Hallant C. M. 6 shocks of weapons, was remitted and fines $5 and $3.85 each, for having the same in his possession! See my letter of report to you herewith! Amount $25.00
Amount Total $41.00

Respectfully submitted...

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
Chas. Hamilton
Bailiff Bassam

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

Hamilton. – Ont. –
3. December 1886. – –

Sir. –

I duly received your letter of the 27th ultimo; and I attended the adjourned Trial of Mr. Gilbert P. McIntosh, of Meaford! "For having in his possession about 8 Tons, of Salmon Trout, caught in the public waters of Georgian Bay, in "Close season;" to wit; on the 22nd November 1886 at the Town of Meaford; in contravention of the Fisheries Act" – –

Mr. ~~George~~ Gilbert P. McIntosh, pleaded guilty to the charge; by admitting that he had One Ton of Trout, caught during the "Close season", – in his possession on 22d of November 1886, – at Meaford – in contravention of the Fisheries Act. – – – The balance Seven Tons, – Mr. McIntosh, swore, were brought in to him early on the morning of the 1st of November 1886: being legally caught, the latter end of October. – – There was no other witness produced; the Magistrate James Stewart Esq.re J. P. – being satisfied the case was proven fined him Five dollars, and $3.85 c. Costs – in all $8.85 c. – or to be imprisoned in the County Jail, of Owen Sound, for eight days; and that One Ton of fish caught in "Close season", – were found in defendants possession. – – – Altho' – Overseer, George S. Miller, was active in capturing 5 c. Trout, on the 9th of November last, in a Box on Mr. George P. McIntosh's wharf, during "Close season". – in contravention of the fisheries Act: in the present case he was unable to procure any evidence. – – – The Five dollars,

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries, –
Ottawa; Ont.

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Hamilton. – Ont. –

Sir. – 3. December 1886. –

I duly received your letter of the 27th ult., and I attended the adjournment (twice) of the Hon. G. W. Wood, of Amherst. – After hearing in his possession about 8 ozs. of tobacco, that caught in the public waters of Georgian Bay, in close season. – On and on the 22nd November 1886, at the town of Amherst, in contravention of the Fisheries Act. – –

The Hon. G. W. Wood, pleaded guilty to the charge; by admitting that he had the ozs. of tobacco, caught during the "close season", in his possession on 22nd of November 1886, at Amherst, contravention of the Fisheries Act. – – – The below Hon. – Mr. Wood, swore, was brought in to him early on the morning of the 1st of November 1886: being legally caught the latter end of October. – – There was no other witness produced. The magistrate fined the Hon. G. W. being satisfied the case was proven fined him the costs, and $4.87½ costs – in all $8.87½ – or to be imprisoned in the County Jail of Simcoe, there and for eight days; and that the 8 ozs of fish caught in "close season", was found in defendants possession. – – – Little Simcoe, George Walker, was witness in capturing 3½ ozs on the 1st of November last in a net on Mr. George G. W. Wood's water, during "close season" in contravention of the Fisheries Act: in the present case he was unable to produce any evidence. – – – The Hon. defendant,

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries, –
Ottawa: Ont.

fine will be sent to you soon. ---

The Tow of Salmon Trout, I directed Coxswain George S. Miller; to sell which he did for the sum of Twenty five dollars; which you will find included in Bank draft No: 98: sent herewith. ---

Altho: Mr Gilbert P. McIntosh, was in error, in this case: still I must candidly confess to you; that I admire his truth and sagacity. --

All of which is respectfully submitted. --

I have the Honor to be, —

Sir: —

Your Obedient Servant. —

J. Phill Kerr. —

Fishery Commr.

P.S.

In your Telegraph to me of the 22nd of November, "Close season:" "you said the fish may be sold!" Can fish be sold during close season, and will the present Fisheries Act, rules and regulations, Orders in Council: justify the act of selling fish in close season: caught in close season!!.

Yours respectfully. —

J. Phill Kerr F.C. --

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fine wife to dust to your door. ---

The Rev. of Malmo Count, I dinander Swanson
George Hilliam: to take instead to sit for the
Sum of Twenty five dollars: which you will find
enclosed in Bank draft No: 98: Dust Remain. ---

Letter: Mr Philbert C. Mitchell, was in error
in this case: this I must cordially confess to you:
that I admire his truth and honesty. ---

All of which is respectfully submitted. --
I have the honor to be, --

&c. --

Your Obedient Servant. --

Philbert Swanson --

Chicago Swanson

P.S.

In your telegram to me of the 22nd
of November, Miss Swan: "You sure the fight may
be over!" You fail to write during Miss Swan,
and while the present Chicago Art Rules and
Regulations, Forbid in Summer: Justify the act of
entering fail in Miss Swan: Sought in Miss Swan.!!

Your respectfully --

Philbert &c. --

Hamilton, Ont.
3. December 1886. —

Sir,

I duly received your telegram, regarding the Tug Grace Darling; on which I communicated with Wiarton, Owen Sound, and Collingwood. — On Friday last, the Steamer Pacific, on her way down Georgian Bay, to Collingwood; lay in Club Island, Steel, with the Tug Grace Darling. — The Mate of the Pacific, - told me she had no fish on Board then. — They were 8 Hours there together; when the Pacific left for Collingwood. I may tell you as I heard the Grace Darling, is employed lifting the Buoys set out to mark the Shoals — All from Killarney to French River, for that purpose, she was then to cross over by Lonely Island; and went on in to the safe and secure Harbour of Club Island. —

Donald Macdonald, of Owen Sound is still in Club Island; and if John Darling, of the tug Grace Darling, had just on board if any caught, when the he entered Port there, he would place them in Donald Macdonalds Freezer there. — I understand Donald will not leave Club Island, before the 16th of this month. — Overseer Geo. S. Miller, is already on the Alert, and I will write and stir him again! on this subject. — Respectfully Submitted. —

John W. Kerr.
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa. Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.

3. December 1886. —

Dear Sir.

I duly received your telegram, requesting the City Police Authority: on which I communicated with Mr. Bowes, your Chief, and he informed ... He pointed out the difficulties, on the ground that the Chief could not be spared; but in fact absence, till with the City Police Authority. — The salary of the Constable; that was the last we heard about them. ... They were 8 hours there, getting; when the Constable left for Toronto. I must tell you as I heard the Police Authority, is employed letting the Bungs out the month the school. — It

Now Milloney to Grand River, for that purpose, the was then to cross over by Canada about; and meet on in to the safe and leave Brantford of that Constable.

Should Wednesday, of then Chief is still in that ... and if the Authority Police Authority, but for on Chief is appointed only if when the is entered that there, is made place then in Should Wednesday ... the Chief there. — I understand Constable will not leave that Island, before the 15th of this month. — Because Sgt. Miller, is already on the Chief and I will write and let him know more: on this subject. — Temporarily Authorized. —

Yours truly

The Chief Constable

Department of Brantford.

Ontario. Ont.

Memo: for S. C. Bassett Esqre
Fisheries Department. --
Ottawa.

Yours of 2nd instant, is just received, and I am really glad to learn that the wine has helped your sleep. -- Guinness's double X.X. Porter, I believe would help you better still. - It is of a drowsy nature, just drink a tumbler full every day at your dinner, and I am sure it will help you to sleep. - If there is any thing up here, that will serve you, let me know; in the mean time, I must enquire from some person who knows: what is good for a friend of mine, who lays awake too long at night:- injuring his health: when you want more wine, dont fail to let me know! - Keep up your spirits, you may rely upon it, you will be soon well again; - I can sleep all night at home or abroad: - Gods name be praised: - for evermore Amen.

I got home here at 8. p. m, on thursday, sep at 4.30. a. m. of my own will and accord. Miles 116. - By the official reports, you will see that the Magistrate James Stewart Esqre J. P. - considered $5. fine, and $3.85 cts. costs: enough to fine Gilbert McIntosh, - for having one Tun of Salmon Trout, in his possession, on 22^d^ Nov: last. I wormed the secret out of him, otherwise it would be all smoke and no fire. -- Mr Collard then got Macintosh, Counsel to sign the plea of guilty! - and that bound him. -- I may tell you there is 8 licensed fishermen in Meaford - and 7. of them fished during the month of November, "Close season". - It would be difficult to prove the cases against them! some of them are litigious characters. W. A. Clark, came down Georgian Bay, from Killarney to Collingwood, about the 16th November, and he declared to me, that he saw 25 Boats fishing up, quite unconcerned. Clark, as he is best known by that name told me this on last Wednesday night at 9.30. p. m. - after he returned as a delegate

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from a Convention; where Dr. Wiley was nominated, and is sure to be Elected to oppose Hon: the Mowat Government. —

Alex: Clark, told me it was a complete Farce, the way the Fisheries - was carried on.

Gill nets, from 4½" inch mesh to 4¾" - inch mesh, and 4⅞th - inch mesh more numerous than ever. -- And John McKee, confirms this also! both advise, reduce the "Close season", to 15 days, and enforce the size of Gill net, to full 5" inch mesh extension measure. - It is John McKee, who gives D. W. Port all the information of every kind, this was given to me; please read my report of 16. November last. -- Fishing is carried on to excess, - Young James Pilgrim, told me on Monday evening last, that he fished 12 miles of Gill nets, - and sold to Clark, and McKay - of Wiarton $ 8.000. worth of fish, besides fish to Port and others, he has a Tug worth $4.000, - and has $ 10.000, altogether invested in fishing material, and he only

pays $ 5. - annual license fee. -- Pilgrim caught the $ 8.000. worth of fish he sold to Clark and McKay - off Chabot Head, - in Georgian Bay. -

I was told by Meaford fishermen, that Wilmot did not commence to get the roe, until the 12th November, and then he was too late. -- Miller told me a good deal of Charley's doings last year, - One of his brothers, - was there with him all the time, he only got 22, packages of fish, for the Indians! and Miller said, he supposed Allan got all he wished for! as Charley played cards, all the time and never went near the Pd. Nets. - Miller told me when you ordered him to Wiarton, last year to order out the P. Nets, Allan and (he) Wilmot, were thunder struck. Miller endeavours to do his best, and he acts fairly - under my supervision. - I told him how to make out his annual returns. A smart man could do wonders, if he had a Tug

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and four men with himself! Captain Joe Wilson, in pursuing Law Breakers, fired a Rifle Ball through their fishing boat. enclosed you will find what the Collingwood Enterprise of 18th November last. says on the subject. --

You may remember a case, where many years ago, I seized a Barrel of Trout in "Close season" at Galt, sold them to a man named Williams; who sold some of them to his Customers, he was taken up, for doing so in "Close season" and fined by the Mayor of Galt. - This is the case I refer to, in my report to the Deputy Minister today. —

The Deputy Minister's Order, that Pike and Herring may be speared in B. bay - "but no Bass", - is received; - only one person has applied for a spearing licence thus far; They cannot be separated; it will be better to abolish the spearing altogether in B. bay, - or get a man for each fish house, who will report each day all the Bass speared. - I will make no further comment on this order, beyond the fact, that no poor man will go on the Bay to spear any

more, seeing that the Game Club, of Hamilton has succeeded at last in taking the Bit out of the poor mans mouth! I may honestly say the industrious hard working man; who to while away the time goes on the Bay, so as to avoid the Taverns; - would appearing no more! - Would you be pleased to advise with deputy Minister on this matter. —

The Assistant Master in Chancery, - Mr Edwin J. O'Reilly, - a Member of the Hamilton Game Club, and I have discussed this matter, and Mr O'Reilly says: this cannot be done; of course I shall endeavour to carry out the deputy's order. - -

"For he is a jolly good fellow which nobody can deny!" with a hip, hip, hurrah!!! and one chaw more. " - —

I do not consider it advisable to proceed further against the fishermen of Meaford, for Contraventions of the fisheries Act, during the "Close season", all are equally guilty, - not only in Owen Miller, new curtailed Division, but all over Georgian Bay! There is none righteous, no, not one. —

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Mr. Intosh, proved on his oath, that the 7. Con. of Trout, brought, early on the morning of the 1st of November, were legally caught, in G. Bay, at Bails point; where there were 8 fishermen Cape Rich, 2. fishermen; and Bail Point, fishermen 4. fishermen; were all fishing at the time, and up to the end of October: the thing itself is feasible enough. –

Overseer Wm Johnson – Burglied! where he reported they were Refrigators car loads of fish, when hunted up and enquired into by me, they turned out to be 7 or 9 barrels of fish. – D. W. Port, fish dealer, Toronto, starts next week, for New Westminster, British Columbia, to put up New Buildings and rent 3 – Salmon fishing grounds. – He is an enterprising man, and may require the light of your countenance up there. – Always great and glad to hear from you. The fishermen on G. Bay, – told me at Meaford and Collingwood: That they all done well this year. –

Yours respectfully. –
J. Johnston F.O.

Private and confidential!

Hamilton, Ont.
19. December 1886. –

My dear Sir. –

I send you herewith a Petition from the most licensed fishermen of Toronto; who have all votes, and will no doubt vote for you. –

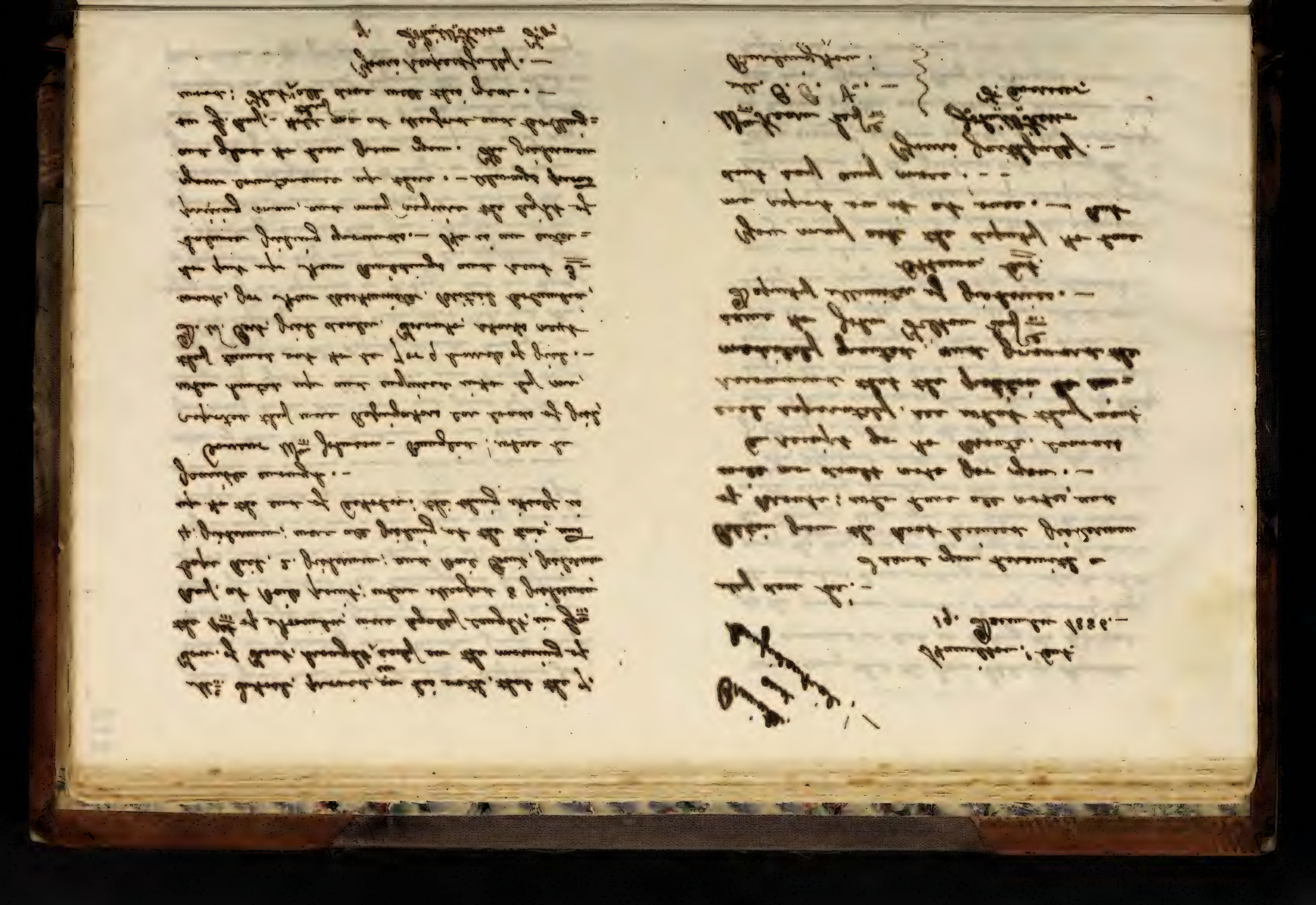
On receipt go to Toronto, canvass each separately, see what they want, recommend that the petition be immediately granted, and forward the same to John Tilton Esq.
Deputy Minister of fisheries. –

Ottawa, Ont.

You may ask the deputy to have me report on it at once. – But dont say any more. – –

Yours faithfully. –
Wm Kerr Esq.
M. P. P. –
Burlington:

John Kerr
F. Overseer.



Hamilton, Ont. –
5. December 1886. –

Sir, –

With reference to my former report, respecting two Refrigerator Cars of Salmon Trout, said to be shipped to Mr. Michael Doyle, fish dealer, Toronto, by Mr. Gilbert P. McIntosh, of Meaford! during the "Close season" – during month of November last; I enquired in to the same and I saw Mr. McIntosh, and Mr. Doyle, on the subject, who admitted the case; McIntosh shipped the fish! Michael Doyle of Toronto, received them. – They were Trout, legally caught, last October. – "Before the close season!"

However! I made Overseers Miller and Johnson investigate the cases! and report to me! and so instead of 2, car loads of fish; Trout! they turn out to be 9 Barrels of Trout altogether. –

See their report No: 1, and No: 2, herewith. –

Respectfully submitted. –

John Wiker. –
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa. Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.,

5 December 1886.

Sir,

With reference to my former report respecting two disputants, Jno of Malvern Grant, said to be shipping to the Chicago Maple Leaf stamp by the Hilton Gilchrist of Hamilton, I learning the same reason, during month of November last, I inquired in to the same and I saw the Gilchrist and the Maple on the subject, who committed the case: Gilchrist shipped the fruit; Chicago Maple of Toronto received them. - They were short legally enough but Gilchrist. - -

Therefore I made Grassie Miller and Johnson investigate the case; and report to me; must be in stead of 2 lbs boxes of fruit Grant; they turn out to be 9 barrels of Grant altogether. - - -

See their report who; 1, and who; 2, herewith. -

Respectfully submitted. - -

Hamilton. -

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

Thomas Grassie

No: 1. — Copy. —

J. W. Kerr. Esqre — Paulo Hotel. —
Fishery Overseer! — Meaford, 30th, November 1.

Sir, — On making enquiry — the agents at the Express office here, — says: That they forwarded to Michael Doyle, Fish Dealer, Toronto, three Barrels of fresh fish guaranteed to have been caught during the close season. — And the Agents of The Northern Railway also at Meaford; says: That there were also six Barrels of same quality of fish, (Trout,) sent with a either Bill or Guarantee! —

"Signed." —
Geo: S. Miller. —
Fishery Overseer.

No. 2, — Copy. —

J. W. Kerr, — Toronto, —
Fishery Overseer. — } 30. November 1886. —
Meaford. —

= Found no Cars. — 3 Barrels, shipped by Mr. Dutch, on 16th. — 4. Barrels shipped on 19th. — No shipper named! see Agent!.

Signed, —
Wm Johnson. —
Fishery Overseer.

No: 1. — Report. —

J. W. Hen. Report ⁄⁄ — Bank Notes. —

Stirling Bennett. — Montreal, 30 th November 1.

Sir, — In matching coupons — the coupons at the Ogdens office here, says: That they pronounced to Mullins Clyde, Bank Notes, County Bills Bonds & Great Bill guaranteed to have been counterfeit. Before the Bank of the Northern Railway, also at Montreal: says: That there were also Bill Bonds of same quality of Bill, (Bank) but without either Bills or Guarantee! —

"Signed" —

Yr: Obliged. —

Stirling Bennett.

No: 2. — Report. —

J. W. Hen. — Toronto. —

Stirling Bennett. — } 30. November 1866. —

Montreal. — } Same no Case. — 3 Barrels, shipped by Mr Dutcet on 16 th — 4. Barrels shipped on 19 th — No shipper named! See Report!.

Signed —

W. Johnson. —

Stirling Bennett.

Hamilton, Ont.
5. December 1886.—

Sir,—

With reference to the Tow of Salmon Trout, caught by the Fisherman, and sold to Mr. Gilbert O. MacIntosh, fish dealer, of Meaford; found in his possession during the "Close season" for Salmon Trout.—

Do you wish that the fisherman who caught this Tow, of Salmon Trout, during the "Close season" should be prosecuted! or would you consider justice has already been done in the premises by fining Gilbert O. MacIntosh! Vi. Vi.

Respectfully Submitted.—

I Have the Honor to be,
Sir,—
Your Obedient Servant.—
J. Hill Kerr.—
Fishery Overseer.—

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Marine,
Ottawa, Ont.

J. H. Kerr, Esq.
Fisheries Department.
Ottawa.

Sir:—

I sent the Deputy this day an application in behalf of Miss Jane Leavitt of Musgrave; a minor of Thomas Leavitt, a man quite well known in Georgian Township, and any man could be confident for the state of a man Edwin as he is; also his answer to said two months had; I mean without the leave in able my life.—

It has been a wonderful shock to Miss Leavitt, and must be a children.—

I hope they will be merciful in Musgrave on Last Tuesday, and I must in a prosecution for a G. years lease of his fishing grounds in Musgrave Power, I hope the Deputy will grant it. Because they usually able gave some gave them.— I hope gave are great fung Rattlet, and it must gives 'Charge

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Hamilton, Ont.

Sir -

5. December 1886. -

With reference to the Act of Indian Claims, sought by the Chiefness, and order to the Chief of Alnwick, District, Fort Hope, of Alnwick, Ontario in his possession during the Close season? Or Indian Claims.

We were said that the Chiefness are sought the Act of Indian Claims during the Close season? Alnwick be possessed! We would you consider justice to already been done in the premises by giving Chief Alnwick, District of! H. H.

Respectfully Submitted. -

I have the honor to be,

Sir -

Your Obedient Servant. -

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Marine,
Ottawa, Ont.

Chief Superintendent.

Memo: for S. P. Bennet Esqre
Fisheries Department. –
Ottawa, Ont. –

I find I omitted to say any thing to you respecting the fish that the Deputy telegraphed me, Cameron – reported to him on Board the Tug, Grace, Darling, bound for Collingwood. – I laid an Embargo, on all the main land Ports – as well as Collingwood. – But no go! – The Grace Darling is partly owned by the Noblas, who have sold their Tug – the Annie Long John Darling – Owner, – was up at Lake on Island, and the saw Mills of Collins Inlet, getting timber for an Ice House, and Freezer at Lake Island for next year. – And being in Killarney, would no doubt bring Noblas fresh caught fish – away with him! The Grace Darling had to lift the Buoys placed in Georgian Bay, and proceeded to the Bustards at the mouth of French River, 40 miles from Killarney, for that purpose. – "I was there myself once." – Then she would run from there to Club

Island, lift the Buoys – and take them along, The Pacific Steamer, found her there on Friday 26, and Saturday 27th November last, with no fish on Board. – If she had fish, when she landed or made Club Island – her port. –

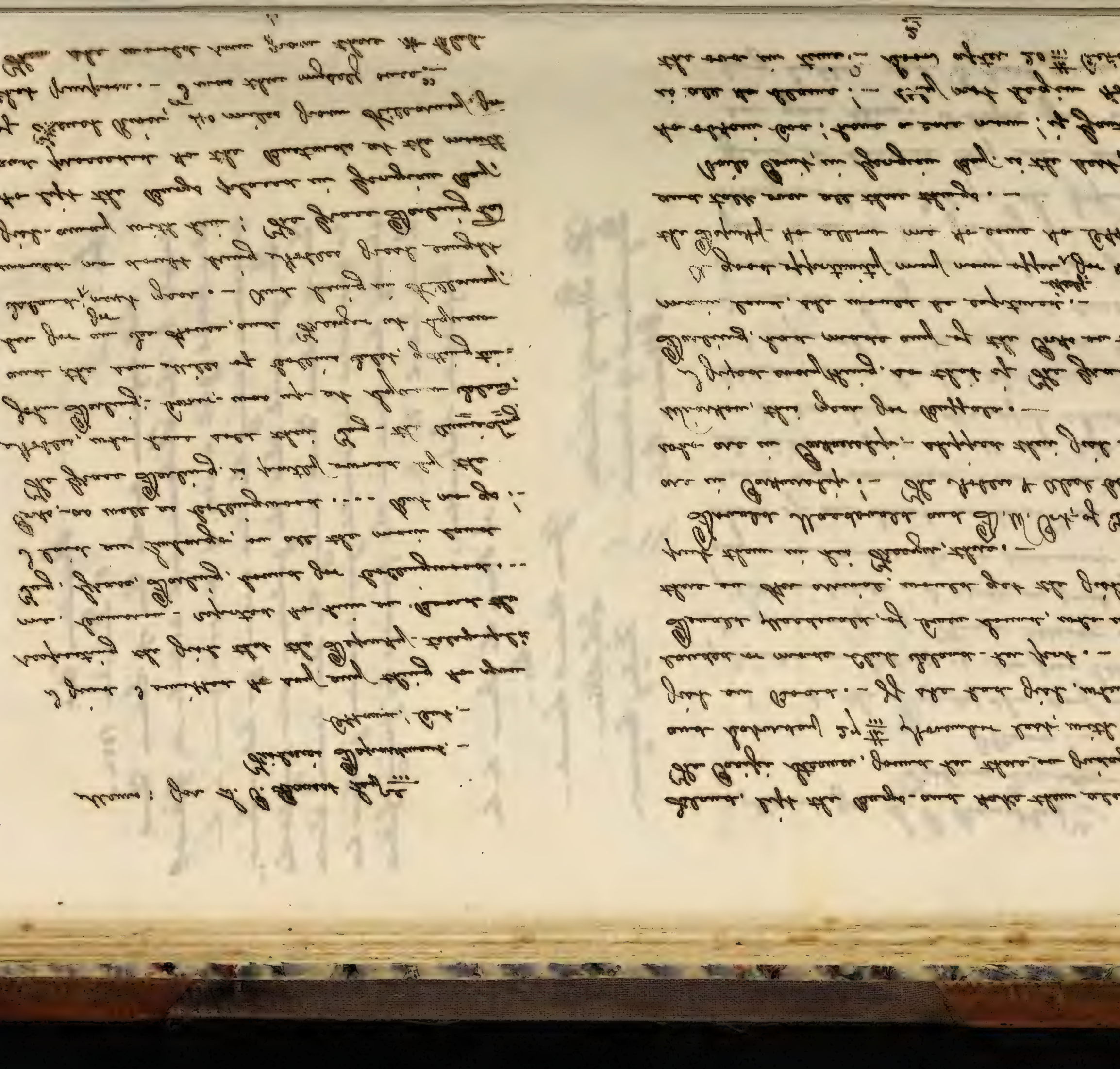
Donald Macdonald, of Owen Sound, who was there on Her arrival, would get the fish, and put them in his Freezer, there. –

Donald Macdonald and D. W. Port, of Toronto, are in Partnership! – The Noblas & Alex Clark, who are in Partnership, – shipped their fish at Wiarton, this year for Buffalo. –

I fixed everything, so that if The Grace Darling, had made any of the Ports on the main land, she would be captured. –

A good opportunity may now offer, shortly, for to get the Deputy – to allow me to come to Ottawa, and talk over all these things. –

Bails Point, in Georgian Bay, is the best place to obtain Ice! have a care now! if Gauthier is all to blame! – Why not begin to get the ice in time? – Soon after 20th October,



is the proper time. — — I was told that "close season" — was not observed on the Owen Sound, side of Georgian Bay — neither. . . .
Salmon Trout, caught during "close season" — on Jack fish Island — will be all salted down, and shipped over the Canada Pacific Ry.
Good, sound and better arrangements, than now exist, should be made by the Department, and the Railways! or fix it as I have it in my Division of Lake Ontario! by catching Herring alone! . —
I hope this will find you improving in health, and spirits . . . I trust the Deputy Minister, will be satisfied; with the termination of Mr. J. P. Mac-Intosh's contravention of the fishery act. — Great Election excitement at Meaford, and all along Georgian Bay. — The Mayor of Meaford — is running against Mr. Creighton, of Owen Sound — the sitting member. — Creighton, will get in again. — —
I managed Mac-Intosh's case, so as not to cause any excitement. — —

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I shall go to Niagara, on tomorrow, Monday, — and see how things are there; how the land lies! to use an old phrase. —
If the Deputy — is determined I should prosecute the fishermen who caught that tow of fish in "close season" — dont you think it better to let the case remain until after the Elections. — I have written the Deputy on this subject to-day. — —
It was reported round, that when Miller, made the seizure, — he overlooked some fish in the Freezer. — I examined the premises myself, and I found there was no such thing happened. —
A storm in the middle of November, was worse on the Pound Nets — in Lake Erie, than the previous one in October, all were completely washed out again. — —
With my best wishes, that you may sleep well! — and be rapidly restored to your former good health. — I am Yrs Respectfully, —
Hamilton, 5. Dec. 1886. } Thos. Wilkes.
F. S.

in the paper this . . . . I was told that "the
dance" was not allowed on the Sunday evening
side of Georgian Bay - months . . .
Salmon Trout, caught during "the season"
on Lake Huron - will be all dealer
there, and shipped over the lakes daily by
steamer, barges and better arrangements.
Then now quiet should be made by the
Department, and the Indians. For yet it
is I have it in my Opinion of Lake
Huron! by catching Herring alone! . —
I hope this will find you enjoying in health
and spirits . . . I hear the Deputy Minister
will be satisfied with the termination of the
G. Allen - Indian's contravention of the fishing
act. - Great Protection appointment at Manitoulin
and all along Georgian Bay. - The Deputy
Department is running against the Inspector
of Crown Timber - the Acting member. —
Hemphillism will get in again . . . —
I remain Allen - Indian's case, I do not
to cause any punishment . . —

I shall go to Georgian Bay on Saturday
afternoon - and see how things are there;
how the land lies. It was on the Queen's
of the Deputy is determined I should pre-
sent the Petitions with sought that you
of Paid in "Crown dances". Don't you think it
better to let the case remain until after the
Election . - I have written the Deputy on
this subject to day . . —
It was reported round that when Miller
made the designs, he overstrete some fish
in the Stream . - I appreciate the promises
myself, and I found there was no such
thing happened . —
It return in the middle of November
was worse on the Lower Lake - in short his
then the promises are in Safety all were
completely wrecked out again . . . —
With my best wishes, that you may
sleep well! - and be rapidly restored to your
former good health . . . I am (My dear friend) -
Sincerely. T. Ore. 1886. Yours truly

Copy.---

Marine Department.---
Ottawa, 14th August 1886.---

Sir,-

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 16th ultimo, enclosing a petition from Mr. F. H. Corey, asking for remuneration for his outlay on Lyal Island, and in reply I am to inform you that the Department will allow Mr. Corey the sum of $100, on condition that he removes his buildings from our property on the the Island within six months.---

I am,
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant,
(Signed) Wm. Smith,-
Deputy Minister of Marine.

Jas. W. Kerr Esqre
Fishery Overseer.-
Hamilton, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.
11, December 1886.

Sir,-

I write hence to know on what ground the release has the Fishermen. I write being the Petition with me to the Department.

Please Inform Mr. Corey accordingly.

Yours truly,
Wm. McKerr
Fishery Overseer,
Dists. Ont.

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Interior Department. ---

Ottawa, 19th August 1880. --

Sir, --

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 16th instant, enclosing a petition from Mr. Henry Darling for remuneration for his outlay on dyke adjacent and in rear of his residence, and in reply I am to inform you that the Department will allow Mr. Darling the sum of $150, on condition that he removes his buildings from our property on the dike adjacent within six months. ---

I am,
Sir,
Your obedt. servant,
(Signed) L. Vankoughnet.
Deputy Minister of Marine.

Your obedt. Svt.
Thos. Ryan
Secy.

Hamilton, Ont.—
6. December 1886.—

Sir.—

With reference to the annexed copy of letter, from you to me dated 14th August last, in reply to a Petition from Mr. F. H. Corey,—of Burlington Beach, a licensed fisherman on Lake Ontario.

I have now to report that your order has been strictly carried out, and I attach the letter of Mr. John McKay, Light Keeper, to this effect: and with whom I have been in communication.—

I would again respectfully recommend that you will be pleased to grant F. H. Corey $200. and send me cheque for delivery.—

In addition to the loss sustained, by being ordered off Lyal Island! Mrs Corey, his wife is unable to help herself, from the effects of paralysis.—

Respectfully Submitted.—

I Have the Honor to be,
Sir.—
With Much Respect,
Your Obedient Servant,—
Thos W. Kerr.—
Fishery Overseer,

Wm Smith Esq.
Deputy Minister of Marine,
Ottawa, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.
6 December 1886.

Sir,

With reference to the enclosed copy of letter from you to me dated 14th August last, in reply to a petition from Mr. H. Henry of Hamilton Board, a licensed pilot-man on lake Ontario, I have now to report that you under has been actively engaged and I attach the letter of Mr John McIlroy, City Clerk, in this report: and until when I have been in communication. – –

I would again respectfully recommend that you will be pleased to grant Mr H. Henry $200. and send me cheque for disbursement. – – –

In addition to the loss sustained, by being arrested off Cape Gibson! Mr Henry has only is unable to help himself from the effects of paralysis.

Respectfully submitted. –

I have the honor to be,
Sir, –
Your obedient servant,
Chief Engineer.

Chief Engineer
Department of Marine,
Ottawa: Ont.

With official report.
Your obedient servant,
Chief Engineer.

Hamilton, Ont.
9. December 1846.

My dear Sir, —

Your's of the 7th instant, is received; I deeply regret to hear of your illness, and of the sad havoc the storm of the 14th of October, and a subsequent storm in November last, have made in your Pound Nets, — and all the other Pounds, of my fishermen of Lake Erie, in the Elgin Division. . . .

I have already obtained a list of the loss and damage done to all the Pound Nets; by these violent storms, and I sent some to Headquarters, and the Department will I have no doubt, do something to recoup your losses. for already they sympathize with you. —

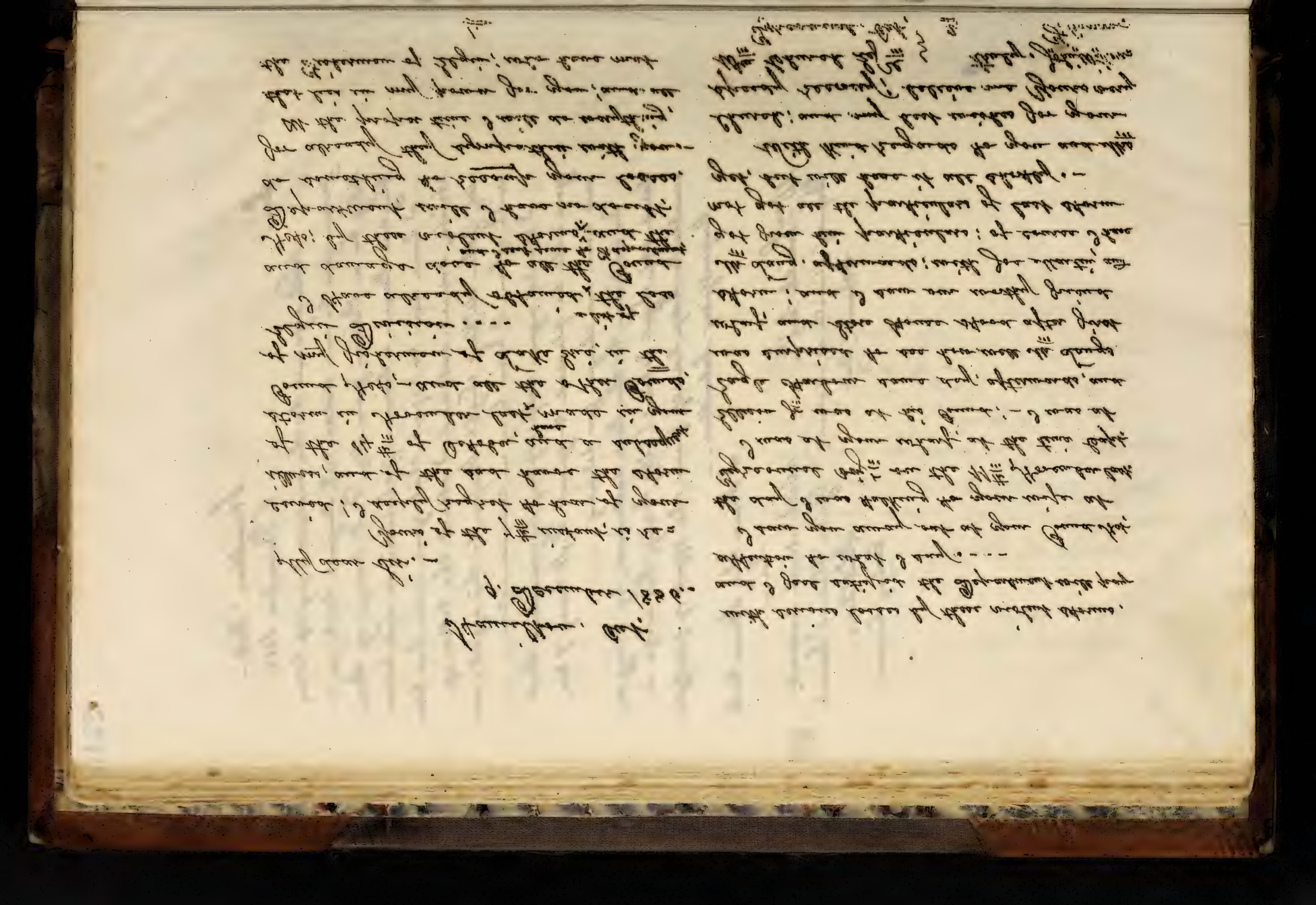
At the proper time I will do everything, that lies in my power for you; and all the Fishermen of Elgin; who have met with serious losses by these violent storms, and I feel satisfied the Department will pay attention to what I say. . . .

I saw you away out at your Pound Net, the day I was talking to your wife at Ephraimsel Bay, on the 11th November last.

I was at your wharf, at the time Capt. Ellison Jr. was at his Pound; — I was at Eagle Harbour same day, afterwards, and was surprised to see how well Mr Langs wharf, and Store House stood after first storm; and I saw our worthy friend Mr Lang, afterwards; with Joe Martin, and got from him particulars; of course I have not got all the particulars of last storm yet, but will have it all shortly. —

With kind regards to you and Mrs Church; and my best wishes for your speedy recovery; believe me Yours very truly, John Wm Kerr

Wm Church Esq.
Ephraimsel Bay, Ont.



Hamilton, Ont,
9th December 1886.—

My dear Peter!

Your friendly letter and the 7 Pair of wild ducks have arrived all in good their and were sent forward by me on the same day. —

Many thanks for that special pair; you sent me;. They are really splendid.

I am and have been busy up on Georgian Bay - for a fortnight, where I was and fined a fish dealer, and confiscated one Ton of Salmon Trout, caught during "Close season" - in Contravention of the Fisheries Act. —

If convenient, meet me on next Tuesday the 14th instant, and I will then talk over Politics, and see if we can get some Votes for our friend Billy Morgan; and at some time block out your

annual return. — —

I hope you are well Peter, my friend! my true and sincere friend of 21. years! always true, reliable, most worthy, faithful active, honest and upright. —

Kindly remember me to Mrs Price, and all the members of your family. —

Mrs Kerr and my family enjoy very good health, and everything goes steadily along with myself. — I will come up on next tuesday by the early Train to Port Dover where I hope to meet you and talk over the fishing matters of this current year. — Believe me, —

I am Yours very truly, —

John W. Kerr
Fishery Overseer.

Peter Price Esqre
St Williams, Ont.

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Kindly private.
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Hamilton, Ont. —
9. December 1886. —

My dear friend Mac-Intosh. —

In order that you and all your friends — "The Fishermen" — of Meaford, Cape Rich; Bails point and Georgian Bay, — may know how things are moving and that a kindly feeling is in existence in the Fisheries Department, — Ottawa; — I sent you an extract from a letter I received, in answer to a Memorandum, I sent there on my return home here on last Friday: — thus:

Ottawa, 6. Dec: /86. —

Dear Sir, — Thanks for your long and interesting memorandum. — I am glad after all, that things turned out so well for Mr. Intosh. — I am aware there is a good deal of illegal fishing at Georgian Bay, but you must bear in mind that temptation is great. I am fully appreciate the disinclination of

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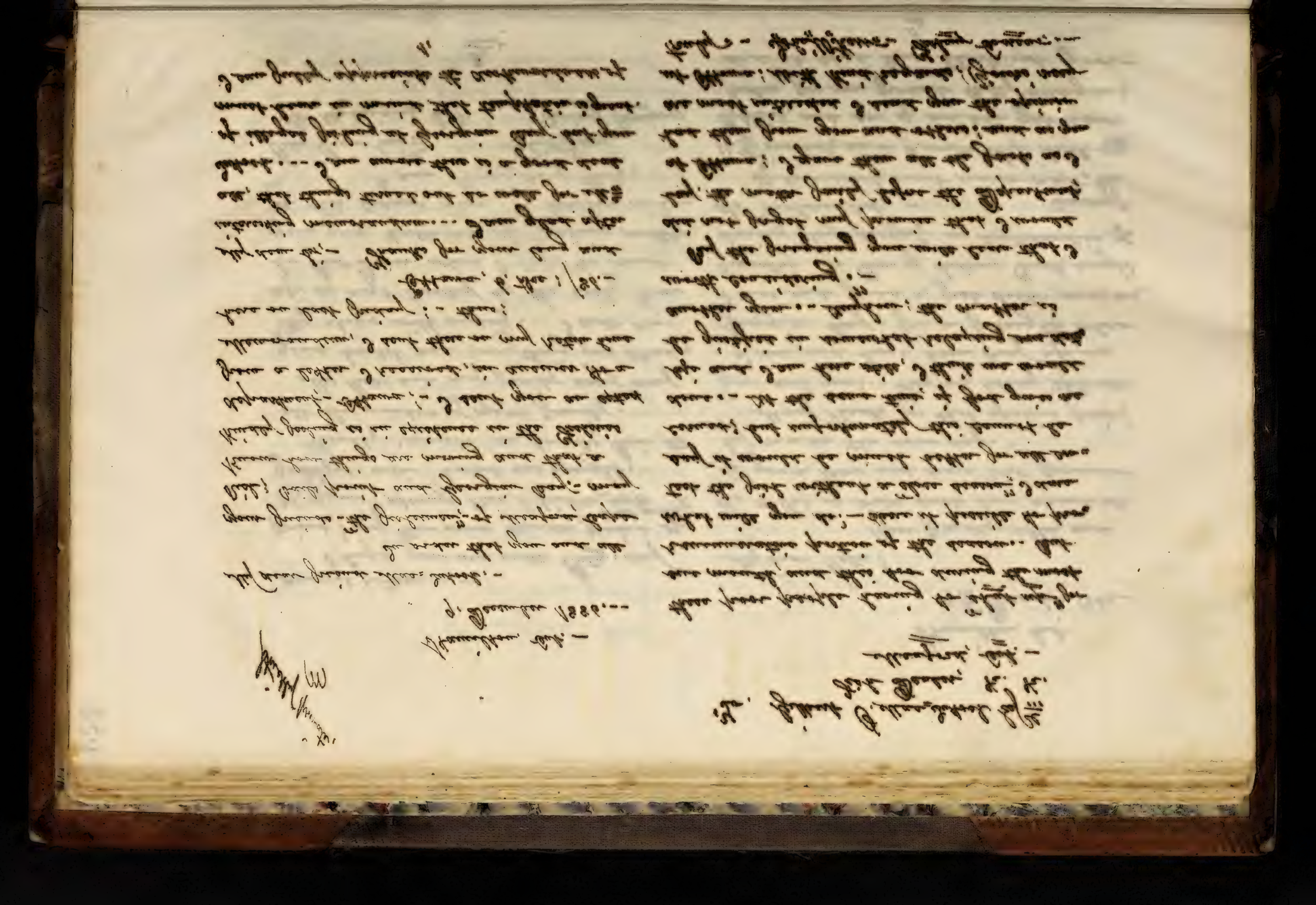
To. Gilbert P. Mac-Intosh Esqre
Fish Dealer, &c. &c.
Meaford, Ont. —

these poor people having to "shut up" for one month, and this too during the most remunerative portion of the season. — But what will you do? — Have it possible to protect the fish without a "close season"? I dare say it would be much better for all concerned; but unfortunately this cannot be done. — At the same time, if God gives me life and I am here still, I think we would be justified in somewhat relaxing our date another year. — Anyhow, the matter is worth considering." —

By the foregoing you will learn that I did not forget my promise that I would lay the matter fairly before the Department, at Ottawa; I gave them all the facts as I had them from you and others; and as you are most interested I send you the opinion at Ottawa; With kind regards, (Yours very truly, — John Ferguson — Fishery Inspector. —



To, The Honorable The Minister of Marine and Fisheries; for the Dominion of Canada! Ottawa. ---

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The Petition of the undersigned, Residents of the Village of Bronte! licensed Fishermen! —

Respectfully Sheweth! —

That owing to a violent and severe Storm, which occurred on 5th and 6th of April last!

Your Petitioners were damaged to the extent of about $1.800. ---

That their Beach contained 29 fish shanties and Smoke Houses, worth about $50, each; Total $1450. — besides 175 Reels, for hanging up and drying Gill nets thereon! -- Worth $2, each: Total $350. —

That your Petitioners beg to inform your Honor! that when the storm suddenly began these things were all in tact. — And when the storm ceased! all had been swept away by force and violence of the waves and storm, from Lake Ontario; to the extent of about $1.800. ---

That =

= Your Petitioners moreover state! that the Beach, on which the fish shanties - smoke houses and Reels stood, was all nearly carried away. ---

There was also a quantity of Sheet piling! --- that always protected said beach from injury by previous Lake Ontario storms, ---

That Your Petitioners, have had to build new smoke houses fish houses and Reels, &c, at considerable expense, so as to carry on still legal and legitimate fishing! same way and manner as before said storm happened. ---

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To the Honorable the Judiciary of Alaska and Washington; for the District of Juneau! Greeting.---

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The Petition of the undersigned, Residents of the Village of Juneau! Respectfully Showeth!—

That owing to a Landslide and severe storm, total wreckage on 6th and 6th of April last!

Your Petitioners were damaged to the extent of about $1,800.---

That their Barrel containing 29 fish blankets and twelve houses, worth about $30 each; Total $360. besides 175 Cords, for hauling up and drying fish made thereon!-- Worth $2 each; Total $350.—

That your Petitioners beg to inform your Honors! that when the storm suddenly began these things were all in tact.- But when the storm ceased! all had been swept away by force and violence of the waves and storm, from their Fisheries; to the extent of about $1,800.---

That—

—Your Petitioners moreover state! that the Barrel, or which the fish blankets, twelve houses and cords stood, were all nearly finished newly.---

It was also a prosperity of their fishing;-- that always protected their Barrel from injury by previous Storm Storms.---

That Your Petitioners, have had to build new twelve fish houses and cords, &c. at considerable expense, for we to carry on their legal and legitimate fishing! have now and remain as before their storm happened.---

has been restored to you. - - -

I was at Brouta today collecting license fees; two brothers named Dorland were out and fished up their Herring gill nets in Lake Ontario fronting on the village of Brouta on the 1st inst, a snow squall struck their Boat and capsized her, and both were drowned. - The week before young Ted Jaffe was drowned in Lake Ontario, off B^r Beach. - Just in a similar way to the Dorlands. -

And 2 men from Vails point, Georgian Bay, were drowned there the week I was at Owen Sound. - Thus far only one person has taken out a spearing license in B. bay. - I must try and see if the Pike and Sturing can be spreaped, without meddling with the Bass. -

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That Your Petitioners pray, that Solon's dams
Necessitous for the purpose
Pronounced, and assistance
of shack fishing and filling in with stone at the
back of said piles; so as to prevent the drift
from future storms; and prevent the entrance
to their smokehouse filling up with sand and
Gravel - washed in from Lake Ontario to the
12 mile Beach, where their fishing boats are
Chased; when not fishing.
And Your Petitioners, as in duty bound,
Will ever pray. - - -
Dated at Brouta, this 10th December 1886.

That your Petitioners pray, that Robert Hume
Pearmonger and our Successors for the purpose
of that fishing and fishing in north Esk at the
back of Saint Giles; so as to prevent the illegal
your future actions; and prevent the entrance
to this Burgh by filling up with dung and
gross-weather in your close Entrance to the
Public Street, unless that fishing people are dis=
charged; unless not fishing. ---

That your Petitioners are in duty bound
Ever to pray. ---

Edinr. 1st December, Thus 10th December 1880.

Hamilton! Ont.—
9. December 1886.—

My dear Miller!—

On my Return home here,—on last Fri[illegible] I sent $41.00 of for the Fisheries de=part[illegible]ent; of w[illegible]ich $25.— the price you ob=tain[illegible] for the Tow of Trout, forward part, the b[illegible]ance was for licence fees.—

I got home from Niagara here on yes=terday afternoon! when I received a printed form to send in to The Deputy of all fines and forfeitures—and I just thought it would be as well for me to have you send me $5. fine, imposed on G. C. McDonald, you might see Squire James Stewart J.P. get it from him and I will forward it as received from you.— Better have $20. received for tow of Trout by you; and $5. fine together.—

In a letter I received from Depart=ment, Ottawa! the following sentence

occurs:— "I am glad after all, that things turned out so well for McDonald!"— I dont suppose either you or I, have had any unkind feelings from first to last,— against him.— I send you a couple of printed forms such as I spoke to you about; I believe they will suit very well for the fishermen to fill up for the Coarser, so as to enable him to fill up his own more correct return to The Deputy Minister of Fisheries! at the end of this year.—

In the case of Pilgrim,—Meaford, McKee, and Chapman, you require such forms.— Let me know how many you want for your Division and I will send them to you!— Our friend Charley Wilson only procured 3,000,000,— of Cod! as compared to 12,000,000, last year! Gauthier is blamed for the whole thing.—

I saw to=day, some White fish sent from McKay and Clarke, Meaford, to Hamilton;— from appearance they were

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little more than Marketable. - - -

This Firm, it appears sent frozen fish to Doyle, of Toronto, during the "Close season" - 2. Car loads. -

McLeod, of Southampton, sent Doyle, 2. Car loads, during close season. - - -

I dont know yet, if the Department will order the Fishermen who caught the Tow of Trout, to be prosecuted. I have asked the question, at some time, I said perhaps Justice was accomplished in Convicting G. P. McCutcheon. -

When I became official notice to reports - will advise you! Keep cool. I was at Niagara this week. - -

With my warm regards and wishes and best wishes for your welfare; believe me! Yours very Sincerely. -

Geo: S. Milne Esq.
Crown Counsel, -
Owen Sound, -
Ont.

John Wiker
No. -

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Herring and lake fishing is very good at present in Lake Ontario, at Bronte. - I have not heard anything from Meaford, since the 1st instant, when G. P. Gilbert was fined, &c. &c. -

I had a letter from J. S. Allan, this day, he referred to Wilmot's being unsuccessful in getting one at Wiarton. I saw some Wh: fish in the fish market here, that came from McKay, and Clarks - Freezer.

They appeared to be too long caught, to be good food. - The appearance of these fish was against them. -

God bless you and yours! if Mrs. Jane Elliott, needs any help to get her a 9 years lease! please assist,

Hamilton, - Ont.
16. Dec: 1886. -

Yours Respectfully. -
John Wiker
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Hamilton, Ont.
13. December 1886.

Sir. -

I crave your pardon and forgiveness, in this case for bringing the same under your personal notice. -

I feel grieved in reporting to you that Mr Thos Elliott, of Niagara, for about 45 years, a steady and industrious fisherman; whose mind and i became so impaired, and lost in April 1883, - th[illegible] has since remained in a childish state, up to this present time. ---

I may here report that I first visited Niagara, as your Overseer, on the 5th May 1865, and from that time until Mr Elliotts mental faculties gave way; he was a good husband and father! - A friend, admired and respected as an upright honest man. -- Suddenly his mind gave way April 1883, - and since this happened his afflicted wife and family have cared for him; a very sad trying thing for them to do; when you come to consider his afflicted case. --

Mr Elliott, was for a short time in the Hamilton Asylum for the insane; but as his disease did not come under the head of afflicted persons maintained there! Mrs Jane Elliott, his wife, had to fetch him home from there! - and care for him and her three daughters herself. -

I saw Mr Elliott, on the 7th instant, and such a wreck of the man he is at present. - Only a remnant of the once intelligent man of 22 years ago. ---

Mrs Elliott, now that affliction has come

The Deputy Minister
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

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Hamilton, Ont.

13. December 1886.

Sir -

I have your favour and pamphlet, in the case for bringing the cause under your personal notice.

I feel pained in reporting to you that Mr. Allen's health of mind, for about 12 years, a strong, sober, industrious Christian; whose mind was in become so impaired, and lost in April 1883. that he has since remained in a childish state, up to this present time. ---

I may here report that I first noticed symptoms on your Diocese, on the 3rd Sabbath 1865, and from that time until Mr. Allen's mental faculties gave way: he was a good husband and father. - I found, admirer and respected as an upright Christian man. -- Suddenly his mind gave way April 1883. - but since this happened his afflicted wife and family have cared for him; a very dear trying thing for them to do; when you come to consider his afflicted case. --

Mr. Allen was for a short time in the Hamilton Asylum for the insane; but as his disease did not come under the head of afflicted persons mentioned there! Mrs. Jane Allen his wife, had to get him home from there! - and care for him and her three daughters herself. -

I saw Mr. Allen, on the 7th instant, and find a wreck of the man he is at present. - Only a remnant of the once intelligent man of 22 years ago. --

Mrs. Allen now that application has come

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Education,
Ottawa, Ont.

Yrs

home to her door; does everything in her power to maintain and support her husband and their children! by keeping summer boarders. --

Niagara being a favourite resort for persons of this class, who can afford to pay for recreation there. --

Besides! Mrs Jane Elliott has a license for to fish and seine haul in the Niagara River "this year" - a place she! her husband and his family have occupied as a fishery for about 50 years! and Mrs Elliott has paid $20.. license fee for said fishery during this current year. -

In this sad case, I feel obliged to believe that the Fisheries Department will in consequence of the affliction that has fallen to the lot of Mrs Elliott and her children: give them every consideration. - -

I have therefore the honor to recommend that you wille be pleased to grant Mrs Jane Elliott, of Niagara: a 9 years lease of the fishing grounds in the Niagara River fronting on the Town of Niagara, in the County of Lincoln! Between Rousseau's wharf and Kennedy's hollow: extending from the beach to the boundary line in the River: at the annual rent of Ten dollars per year. - Commencing on the 1st of January 1887. - And I recommend that Mrs Elliott be permitted to sublet to licensed fishermen: in order that the family may not want. - - It is the same fishing grounds so long occupied by the family. -

Respectfully Submitted and Recommended. -

John W. Kerr - Fishery Overseer. -

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have to her dear; also everything in her power to maintain and support her husband and their children! by keeping summer boarders. —

Having been a favourite resort for persons of this place, who appear to prefer her establishment there. —

Besides! Mrs Jane Abbott has a license for to sell ale and wine kept in the dwelling house "this year;" & place she! her husband and his family have conducted as a public house for about 30 years! and Mrs Abbott has paid $20.- license fee for said public house during this current year. —

In this case, I feel obliged to believe that the Licensing Department will in consequence of the application that follows to the Act of Mrs Abbott and her children: give them every consideration. —

I have therefore the honor to recommend that you make be pleased to grant Mrs Jane Abbott of Wingham: a 3 years lease of the public premises in the Wingham Hotel fronting on the Town of Wingham in the County of Huron! between Lot number and Lot number adjoining Lot: fronting Queen St. the Street: at the annual rent of ten dollars per year. — Lease commencing on the 1st of January 1889. — Hoping I recommend that Mrs Abbott be permitted to sublet to licensed publicans: in order that the family may not want. — This is the same public house so long conducted by the family. — Respectfully submitted and recommended. —

Wm. Mitchell — Chairman Licensing Commr.

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Hamilton, 19. Dec: 1886.-

Private!

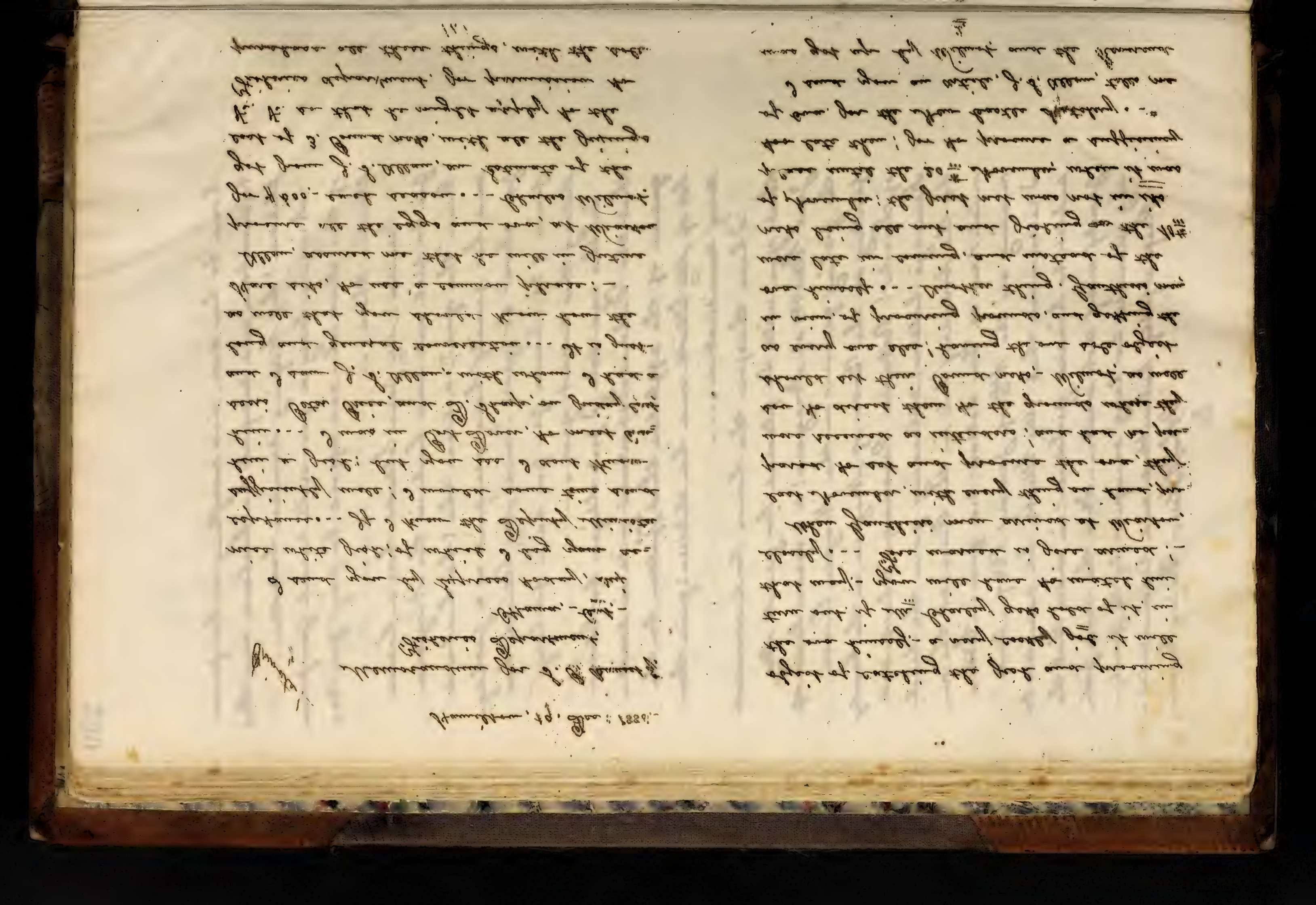
Memorandum for S. C. Burnett Esq.
Fisheries Department,
Ottawa, - Ont. -

I send you by Express today, 1 dozen nice white fish; of which I beg your acceptance. -- If I knew the Deputy Minister sufficiently well! I would some time send him a fish: but you see I dont know him. -- I was in Port Dover, to meet Commissioners Peter Price, and D. Sharp, on Friday last, and I saw J. S. Allan, - with whom I had a long and general conversation. -- It is just as well that you should know how the Hare sits, to use a common phrase: -

Allan, assured me that he will in future procure all the eggs and ova, at Wiarton for $800.- each season. -- Charles Wilmot got from J. S. Allan, an Estimate of the cost of 3, Pound nets, with all the fixings V. V. so that he might apply to the Fisheries department, for permission to purchase all these things, with the sole object of catching the fish and procuring the ova himself. - a very costly job it will turn out, if Mr Charley gets hold of it in that way. - you will have to watch him closely. -- Fore warned is fore armed! -

When Gauthier's men arrived at Wiarton, last November, with every thing on hand, prepared to set and procure the ova, they were received as intruders; and had no person to direct them to the grounds where they should set their Pound nets, - Wilmot, as well as every one else! having the one sole object in view, of procuring grounds, and getting the ova himself. -- Another thing. Gauthier's men were late in coming, and instead of the nets being all out and fishing on the 10th of November; the first net was not in its place until the 20th November, when it was too late then; for to procure a sufficiency of ova, for the New Castle Hatchery. -

I send you an article, J. S. Allan, tells me was got up by Wilmot, and the Reverend



Mr. Campbell, of Wiarton! Allan told me; it is Campbells style of writing: Charley and Campbell, are intimate - "more anon!"

J. S. Allan, took the Wiarton Echo, to Owen Sound, and had the article printed in "The Maple Leaf" - of the 3rd of December instant. - J. S. Allan, handed me the latter paper on Saturday morning, that I might cut out the article for you; as Allan, now regrets giving Wilmot the Estimate for procuring 3 pound nets, a Boat, Pile driver - Piles - Anchor Stones. &c. &c. &c. Here is the Article itself. - - And with all the facts before you, you can now form your own candid opinion. - The Revd. Mr. Campbell, Charley Wilmots boon companion, at Wiarton, - is a Church of England Minister, but in consequence of drink, was put out of the church. J. S. Allan, says it is Campbells style of writing: I told Allan, I proposed to tell...

and lay everything before you; as I thought my self Gauthiers man; did not have a fair show! - I may tell you, I talked right up and down with J. S. Allan. - - - It often even surprises myself, that the fishermen of Georgian Bay, confide all their secrets to me. - - -

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About Mrs Elliotts 9 years lease of license, I am perfectly satisfied myself, as I am sure she will be, when I explain your views to her. - Big Jim Cantwell, made an unpardonable blunder, when he attempted and failed in assailing Mrs Elliott, and me; he would be as much justified in attacking you, the damned scoundrelly. - In her sad affliction, Mrs Elliott, is to be pitied. - - Mr Joe Thomas Elliott himself for nearly a year, until recently. I had not seen him; And oh, gracious God, such a wreck of humanity! such an object, "except one before" I beheld 45 years ago in Ireland, I never saw the like. - I am as I have just said satisfied with your decision! - but you have.

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forgotten the Long Point Lease, Little bei, and the J. & C. Noble Lease in Georgian Bay, Killarney. It is to you I am indebted, for everything that I am. --- Altho' sometimes froward and you no doubt find it sometimes difficult to keep me as you wish me to be; I must confess that after a long life of 54. years and 3. months, in Active life 22 years, as fishery Overseer, on the 16th instant, you have done more for me in a substantial way, than many of my other friends; and may God bless, and keep you and your family in his Holy Keeping! -- You will never know what a warm regard and esteem I have for you!!! --

I am in receipt of the article you sent me! "Sport in the North West." Mr. Whitcher, it appears had good shooting! Geese 25 lbs. weight! must be very fine birds, - I dont suppose any of his old friends will ever get many of them. -- Gregory of Hamilton, and Arthur Harvey, - told me of the death

of Mrs. Bruce. - I have not had a scrole of a letter from him for a long time. --

Long point Bay; - I heard, wile invite him there no more. -- Col: David Teadale, of Simcoe, has been nominated at a convention, as a liberal conservative to run for the Dominion House of Commons, to support Johnson, and his Ministry. I can get him 6 votes, - and I mean to do so! he is not a strong man, he should however beat Jackson, the sitting M. P. for south Norfolk. ---

About my accts. for Georgian Bay, Mr. Dutcal, case, I will prepare and send them to you at once. - I had a very fine, nice civil letter from John McKee, of Meaford, a fisherman, on yesterday, - sometime shortly I will send you a copy - you should have it, John is intelligent and sincere, and like D. W. Port hathful in what they say! --

I am well, and so are all the members of my family. - May your recovery be soon, and sudden. -- Yours truly, John McKee.

Hamilton! Ont.
18. December 1886.-

My dear Everholt.-

Yours received.- I was in Port Dover,- on yesterday,- Friday,- I saw Emerson, D. Sharp, there!- and we talked about your license for next year, I will endeavour to do all in my power for you! Sharp, is in your favour now!.-

About voting at the Elections: you vote for William Morgan Esq.re M.P.P.- the present member:- See Enoch, Nick Clarke, Robert and Duncan Jackson,- and David Jackson; get them all out to vote! Billy Morgan,- is the best man, Kindly remember me to them all.- I saw Peter Price, and D. Sharp in Dover, on last Friday I told them you would vote for Billy Morgan,-

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The Bible told me so!- I hope you will get in your man.-

I will be in Pt. Dover- after the Election, the first week in January, & I will see you and go with you to the fishing ground; and then make application for your license for year 1887. You have nothing to despair for, I will see that you get your rights against all comers.-

With kind regards, believe me;- yours very sincerely,-

D. Hall Harris-
Fishery Overseer.

James Everholt Esq.re
Normandale,
Ont.

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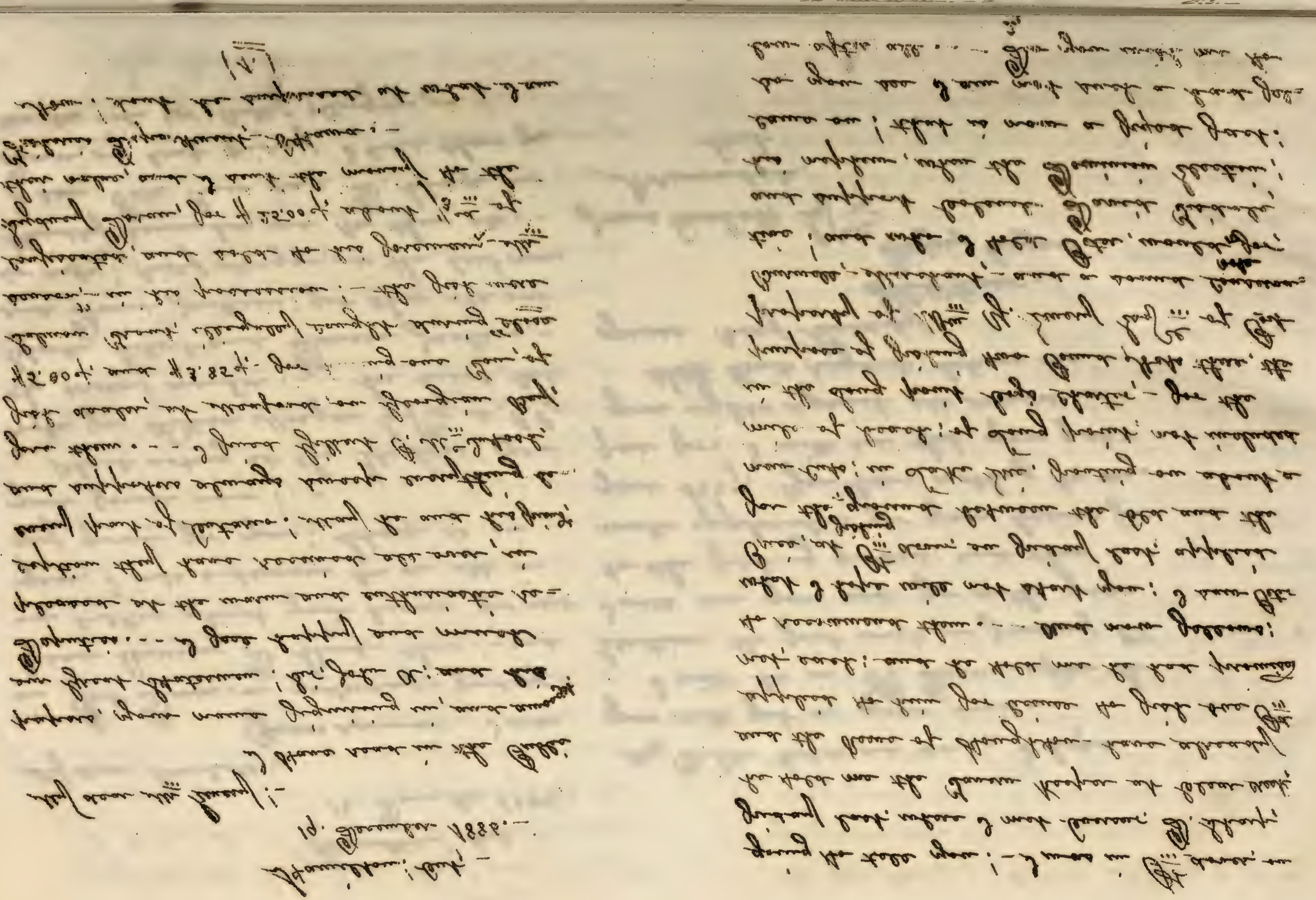
Hamilton! Ont, –
19. December 1886. –

My dear Mr. Emery! –

I have read in the Public papers, your name figuring in, and among our Great Statesmen! Sir, John A; and his Deputies. – I get happy and much pleased at the warm and enthusiastic reception they have received all over, in every part of Ontario! May he and his friends, and supporters always sweep everything before them. – I fined Gilbert P. McIntosh, fish dealer, at Meaford, on Georgian Bay, $5.00 & $3.85 for [illegible]ing one Ton, of Salmon Trout, illegally caught during "close season," – in his possession! – the fish were confiscated, and sold to his foreman – Mr. Sydney Doran, for $25.00 & about 1/3rd of their value, and I sent the money to the Fisheries Department, Ottawa. –

Now! don't be surprised at what I am

going to tell you! – I was in Port Dover, on Friday last, where I met Governor D. Sharp, he told me the Tavern Keeper at Clear Creek, and the Reeve of Houghton – have already applied to him for license to fish one Pound net, each; – and he told me he had promised to recommend them. – And now fellows; what I hope will not start you: I saw Peter Price, at Port Dover, on Friday last, applied for the fishing ground between the old and the new Cuts; in Lake Erie, fronting on about a mile of beach; of Long point, not included in the Long point Boys Charter, – for the purpose of fishing two Pound Nets there, the property of Mr. Y. Emery Esqre. of Port Burwell, Merchant, – and a sound Conservative! and who I told Peter, would vote for, and support Colonel David Tisdale, his nephew, when the Dominion Election, came on! that is now a fixed fact: So you see I am not such a bad fellow after all. – Do you want me to



vote to any of our fishermen to vote for Ingram, the local Candidate. — I am, 1st Always — be

Ready, steady boys steady; To fight and to conquer again and again! ?? — —

I have been in Owen Sound, Meaford and Collingwood, (twice) on Georgian Bay, since I saw you! in Niagara! Brampton, Toronto, Port Credit &c. — Cookesville &c. — and if the people will do so, of what they say; Mowatt, will never be Premier and Attorney General, again. — Please

Tell Frank Jackson, to make out his Return and send it to me; let him get Mr Deming, to do it for him, and stick in the Caviar, and the Bladders, "Singlass" the quantity and value of each, let nothing be left out, besides I require to know for the Fisheries department, the value of the Freezer, and

the Ice Houses, &c. &c. as I wish to let the Fisheries department, Ottawa, know exactly how you all stand at Port Burwell, the Capital of Bayham. — —

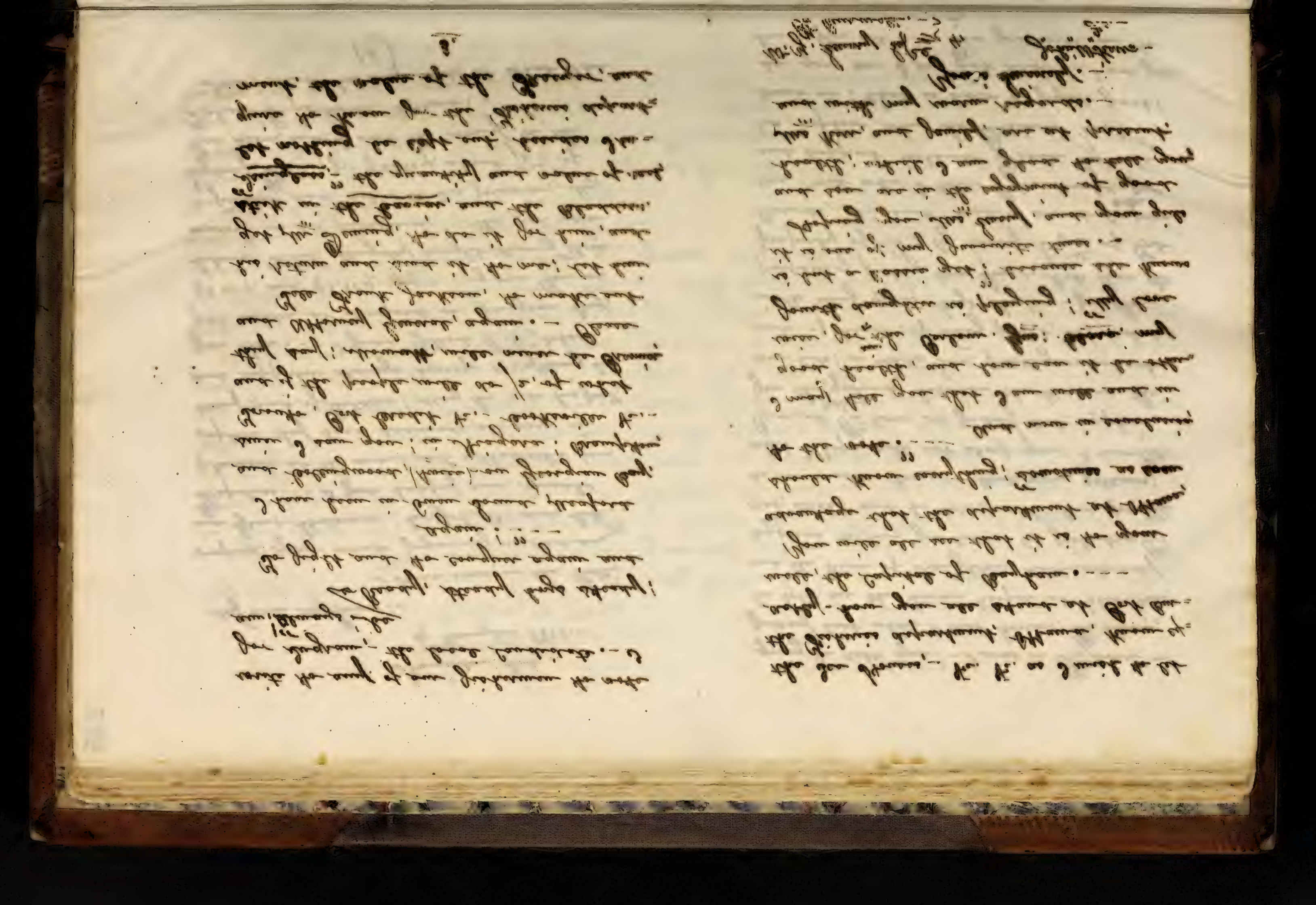
You will all see that it is to your advantage that the department at Ottawa, should know everything; "Sometimes as even to the vote." — —

And now in conclusion, I may tell you that I am well and in good health, and how can it be otherwise, for in the Parlour. Yes: Clara, my fourth daughter is playing! "My love is but a lassie yet" because she knows it is one of my favourite tunes. —

Hoping you, Mrs Emery, and your girls and son are in the enjoyment of good health; which I am glad to tell you, Mrs Kerr, and family, are at present, and with my warm regards. —

Yours Sincerely. —

W. H. Emery Esq. M.P. for Burwell. —> John Hill Kerr — " " E.S. —



Hamilton, Ont.
18. December 1886.

My dear Sir, —

Yours of the 15th instant is received! when last in Niagara, I waited all day — for you on the 7th instant, that you and I might call on Mrs Elliott, as was arranged between you and me but you never put in your appearance. —

You are aware Mrs Jane Elliott's license for this current year, does not expire until the 31st of December! —

Until after that date I cannot say more about it. — You might on, or after the 1st January next, make an application for the ground, but situated as I am I can never promise anything! as all the power I have in these things, is simply to send forward any written application I may receive for a fishery, and when the same is granted by the Deputy Minister, and I receive the license, is to countersign and deliver the same, on first receiving the license money. —

Hence you will now perceive my powers are very limited. — —

Believe me, — as usual! —

Yours Sincerely,

John Bolton Esq.
Niagara, Ont.

John Hill Kerr
Fishery Bailiff.

P. S.

You! and many other people in Niagara: have again and again expressed to me warm sympathy for Mrs Elliott, and her children, in consequence of the sad affliction of her Husband Mr Thos: Elliott, whom we all deplore: yours &c. &c. John Hill Kerr &c.

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Hamilton, Mich.

18. December 1886.

My dear Sir, –

Yours of the 13th instant is received. I have had in Washington & monitored all day – for you on the 17th instant that you and I might talk on this subject as some arrangement between you and me that you never put in your appearance. –

You are aware this Jan. Legislature for this district, does not expire until the 31st of December. –

Until after that date I cannot say more about it. – You might as, or after the 1st January next, make an application for the present, but situated as I am I can never promise anything; as the power I have in these things is simply to cause

personal and written application & may recommend for a pardon, but when the name is granted by the Deputy Minister, and I receive the license, it constitutes and claims the same, as first receiving the license money. These you will see are reasons why promises are very limited. – –

Believe me, as ever, –

Yours sincerely, –

John Dalton Cameron. –

Hon. Geo. Ahlschlager. –

Hamilton, Ont.

P.S.

Now! out among other people in Hamilton: have again and again approached me on the same disagreeable for this locality, and for children, in consequence of the not application of the Medical act this locality, when one side applies: If you to Ahlschlager etc.

Hamilton, - Ont, -
21. December 1886. -

My dear Stallwell. —

It is an age since I heard from you; I hope you are in the enjoyment of good health. -

From information picked up in Toronto, I bought 8 Tons of Trout illegally caught in Georgian Bay at Meaford, on Monday 22nd of November last. —

Captain Wm. Johnson, Toronto, assisted me some. — I want you first of all to get up all the returns for me East of Toronto, for instance Lowan, Mansfield, J. Wright, John Proudfoot, and Geo: White. --

Billy Ward, Montgomery, Hicks, and Fraser - you can leave until I see you: I hope you are well.

I did not have much trouble at Owen Sound, and Meaford! every thing played in to my hand. -

Did you get your $15. extra, dont forget your expenses for last quarter. -- But then, I will see you! - And find out everything about the salmon at the Creek. -

The quantity of Suckers caught, and different Kinds of fish caught in Whitby Harbour, Frenchmans bay, and Toronto Bay, - by Angling, at the Humber, during this present year. -- With warm regards. --

Yours Sincerely. -
John W. Kerr. -
F.O. -

Wm Stallwell Esqre
Highland Creek,
Ont.

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Hamilton, Ont—

My dear Mr Emery,— 22. Dec.r 1886.—

Yours of the 19th instant is received, and you no doubt have received mine of the 19th instant.— (We are knit together)

It is singularily true, that our minds and thoughts are ever so blended together, as to be writing on the same subject to one another at the same time.—

There is something David and Jonathan like about it.—

I joined everything with Col. Price, and early in January I will advise you what to do!.—

Col: David Tisdale of Simcoe, Barr.r at Law, is the chosen Conservative Candidate for South Norfolk; you as a matter of fact is now solicited for to vote for Col: David Tisdale, for the Dominion House of Commons, by me, and I sincerely hope you will do so, and bring all your influence to aid in putting the Colonel at the head of the poll! as against Mr Jackson.—

Col: Tisdale is a Nephew of Old Peter Price,— Peter's sister, was Tisdales mother, and he was called David after his old Uncle David Price, of St Williams still living!— of course I suppose you remember all the old Patriarchs of the Tisdale's family— Uncle's Lot, Ephraim, &c.. &c.. &c.. &c.—

I am sound on the Grose question! And the kindliest feelings this day fill my heart and mind toward all mankind in general, but I wish the D.e had taken some of those Pills.— I wish you a happy X.mas, may God ever and always bless and keep you and yours, kiss Hatty and her sister, for my sake.—

Yours sincerely,— J. Hill Tew.—

John William Kerr. –

Hamilton.

15th November, 5th December. – 6

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1886.				
November, 15.	Off to Toronto to make enquiries about the Georgian Bay white fish and salmon trout, being sold in Toronto, fresh caught during "Close Season" – see my reports –	1.	54. H. B. Board 46. R. Jane,	3. 10. –
–"–	16. Visited all the Fish dealers in Toronto, thence to Hamilton: see my report. –	1.	46. do.	2. 70. –
–"–	20. In obedience to order from John Tilton Esq.re D. M. of Fisheries, proceeded to Owensound.	1.	142. do.	7. 50. –
–"–	21. Off to Meaford, accompanied by Constable Geo: S. Miller, watched on Meaford dock, self and Miller nearly all night. – – –	1.	Board 20. Jane,	6. 25. –
–"–	22. Got Constable Miller to swear 8 tons of S. Trout, put in G. P. McIntosh's Freezer, at Meaford, placed there since "Close Season" began. –	1.	Con. Geo. 2. Board,	4. 00. –
–"–	23. Attended trial, before Squire Stewart ag.st G. P. McIntosh, employed Mr. Collard Counsel to prosecute by order of D. M. of Fisheries J. Tilton, case adjourned until 1st of December, proceeded to Collingwood, Miller with me. – – – –	1.	See Report. – 22. Ref.	3. 60. –
–"–	24. From Collingwood to Hamilton. – – –	1.	116. do. Vs.	4. 10. –
–"–	29. Off to Toronto, saw Constable Wm. Johnson, made enquiries from him, on to Collingwood met Constable Miller, thence on to Meaford.	1.	H. B. – 155 Ref. Vs.	10. 25. –
–"–	30. At Meaford making enquiries. – –	1.	3. Board,	1. 50. –
December,	1. Attended Police Court at Meaford, see reports already sent you: Mr. McIntosh fined, Vs. – Vs. – Thence to Collingwood, Miller home to Owensound	1.	Board, 22. Ref. –	2. 00. –
–"–	2. From Collingwood to Toronto and Hamilton, see my reports to the D. M. of Fisheries. –	11.	155. Ref. H. B.	2. 30. –
			Total. – 11. 727 Miles,	$47. 30

John W. Kerr. –

Hamilton, Ont.

John William Hare –

Hamilton

15th November, 5th December. – 6

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November 15.						

Hamilton; Ont,—
23rd December 1886.—

Sir,—

I have the honor to send you my inci=dental account in duplicate, for Travel, &c. to Owen Sound, and Meaford; on Georgian Bay;— and while on Special duty there, by your order amounting to the sum of - - - $47.30.—

Add! For Telegraphs,—as per voucher, No: 1.— paid by me. — — } 4.00 $.—

Add! Messrs Collard and Miller's a/c^t herewith: their bill is $25.00 $.— (No: 2.)

I recommend that you pay them $15.00. which I consider ample for the services Mr Collard, rendered, as Counsel, per your Order.— 15.00 $.

Respectfully Submitted!— Total, $.66.30 $.—

I have the Honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,—
John Wise.—
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.—
Ottawa; Ont.— } — —

Hamilton: Ont.

Dec. 23rd December 1886.

I have the honor to send you my mon=
thly account in duplicate, for stamps, &c. &c.
been issued, and delivered; on Dominion Govt.
and notes on Provincial study cases, by your order
amounting to the sum of . . . . $47.50.

Note: The telegraphs, as per remarks,

No: 1.- Paid by me . . . . $1.00 ct.

Note: Letters Collect and Children refd
Forwarded: Chas. Dale as $25.00 ct. - (No: 2.)

I recommend that you pay them $15.00.
extra I consider simple for the services all
Collect, Insolvent, as issued per your order. - 15.00 ct.

Respectfully submitted: - Total $66.30 ct.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Stanley Fisher.

"Stanley Bassett."

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Finance. -
Ottawa: Ont. - - -

Memo: for L. P. Bassett Esqre.
Fisheries department,—
Ottawa; Ont.,—

As requested by you, I now send you incidentals for Georgian Bay,— special duty,— The amount, is 66.30.— including $15.00 for Counsel fees ....

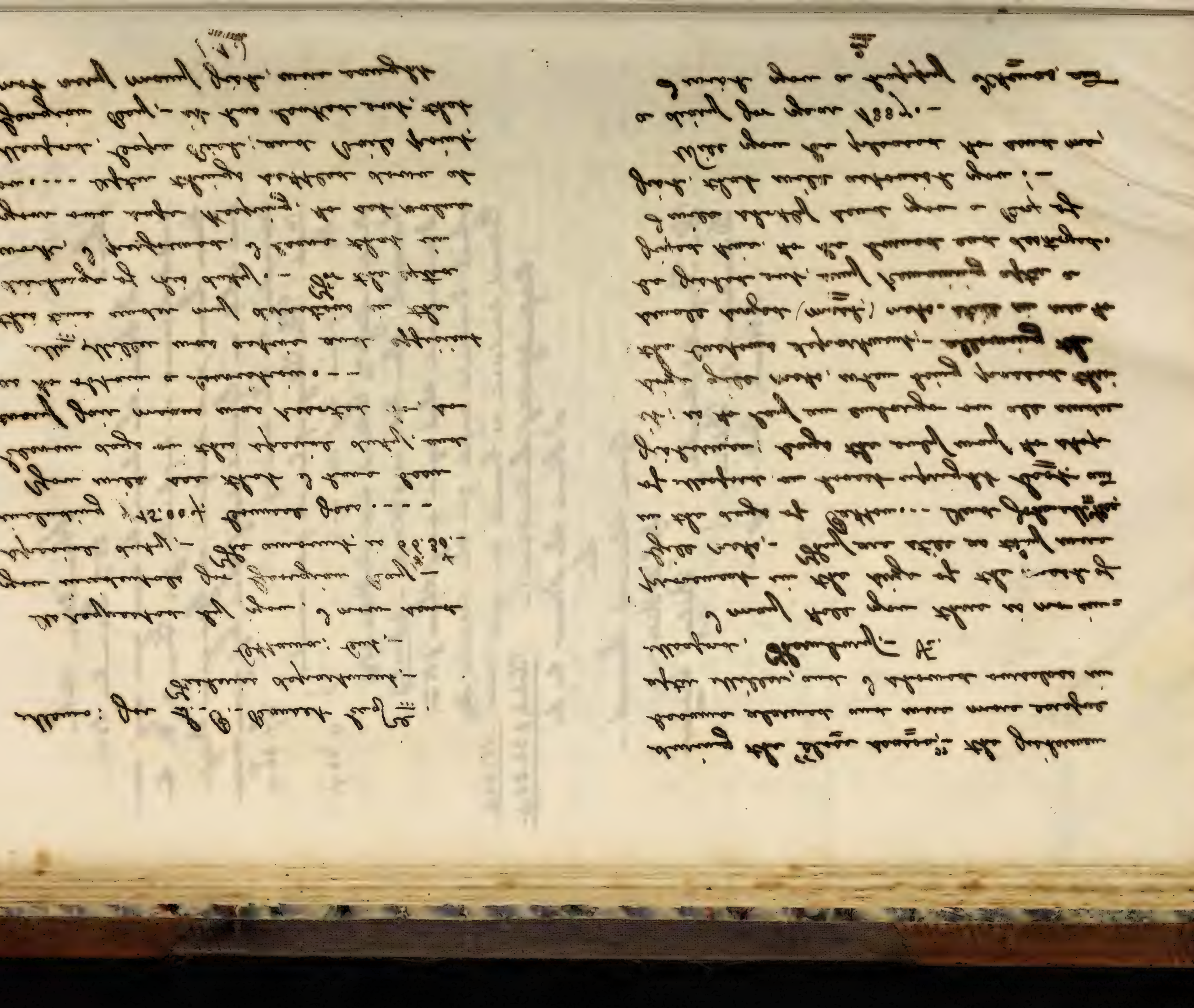
You will see that I have been eleven days on this special duty, and every fair means was resorted to, so as to obtain a Conviction. ...

Mr. Miller was active and efficient this time under my directions in the discharge of his duty. — For the extra work, I performed, I leave that in your own safe keeping, to set value on. ... After things settled down at Meaford, Cape Rich; and Bails point, Georgian Bay,— it has leaked out, that not very many fish, were caught during the "Close season,"— the fishermen became alarmed and were more careful after Miller, and I showed ourselves in Meaford, Thornbury,— &c.

I may tell you there is no improvement in the size of the mesh of Gill nets,— They are still as they were in the days of Patton... Dead Johnell^ce, of Meaford an honest upright Scot, and fisherman; says the only way to stop it; is to lay an embargo on all under size gill nets, when being passed thro' the Customs department,— allowing the small sized (mesh,) nets. still in use to be fished out, being remaining after a fixed time, to be burned and destroyed. I will shortly send you a Box of fish, that will astonish you! —

Will you be pleased to send me, a diary for year 1887. —

I wish you a happy Xmas, and



many happy returns of the same.--

If it is still the custom at Ottawa, you might as heretofore send me my 1/4 Quarter's pay.---

Not any thing of importance up here at present.- preparing for the Elections - is the order of the day.--

And with my sincere thanks to you, for many kindnesses conferred on me during the past 22 years, may you be blessed and preserved to your family for many years to come.---

I am thank God enjoying good health, and content and happy with my lot, but then my friend you helped me to achieve all this comfort.---

May you be happy.-

Your respectfully, &c.
much obliged, John W. Kerr -
Hamilton, Ont. M.D.
28. December 1886.

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P.S.-

I omitted to ask you when fish nets are out in the Lake at Brante for several weeks and a value, once turn up some along! would you allow the fishermen in an extreme case of the hand to fish up! the fine imposed in James Joyce, recently has deterred all fishermen there, from repeating it.---

I did not myself in favour of it, - Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy. &c. &c. &c.

On sunday last at Brante, several of the fishermen there, cleaned fish. they fished up on Saturday, I was there on last Tuesday and I heard all about it.. There is however nothing in the fishing act to cover an offence of this kind, it would come under the Sabbath observance act, - and I told the fishermen so.-- I advised them to

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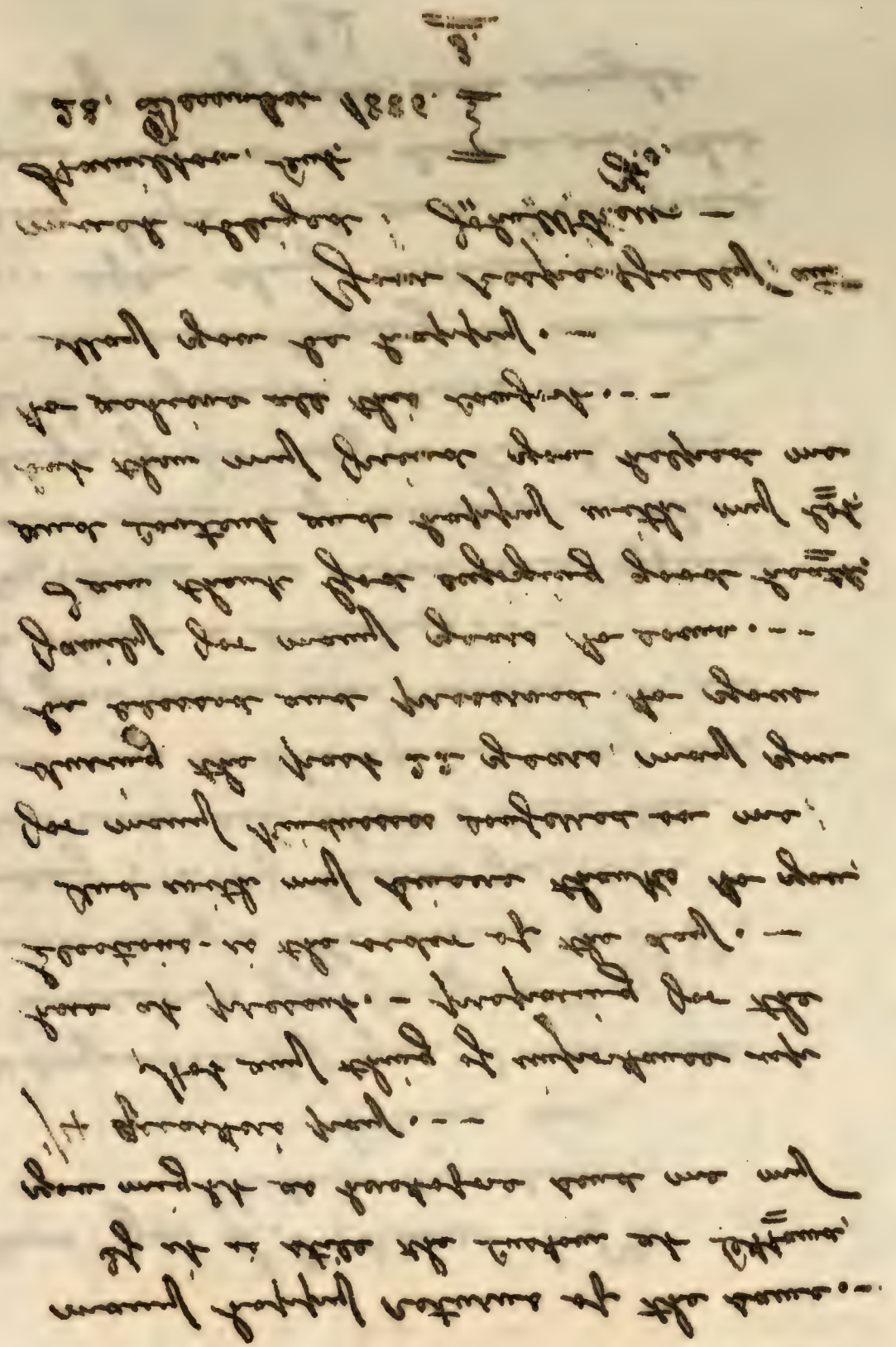

be careful, least the local Magistrates get hold of them. – –

You will have to issue an order about frozen or Freezer fish! – Just as soon as I get time I will lay the case before you! –

Fish when a long time in the freezer get rusted, and then have to be all washed over, and frozen again. –

In Clark and McKays freezer at Wiarton, – fish caught in early summer are kept over frozen till winter, before sold, when some of them become unfit for food. – Please give it your attention! –

Yours, &c. &c.

John W Kerr

J.P.

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Hamilton, Ont

23. December 1886. –

Mrs Charlotte Reid –

Clarkson, P.O.

I saw Messrs Harlett and Washington, on yesterday, You have won the suit, each party have to pay their own costs. –

I feel pleased at your success! had you lost the case it would have cost you! it cost me $13. dollars to go to Brampton and be your witness. –

I paid $1.50¢. for your and Fred's, at the Hotel. – With Rile Neville and young Hughes before their eyes: – Hart Reid, and your son William – should not have got drunk, it is fortunate for you, they were kept out of Court. – Has the Rent arrived yet, – I wish you all a happy Christmas! write me: –

Yours truly, John W Kerr –

In conclusion, hoping this find everything
yet hoping of them. — —

You will have to excuse my writing
about foreign or strange girls! — just
as soon as I get time I will let my
own before you! —

Write when a long time in the foreign
yet hopeful, were then have to be all.
weather ever, and forgive my.

In health and all things foreign or
Hamilton. — Girls caught in awful house
war was fought over foreign girls cross
ten, before could, rather than of them
become useful for good. — Please
yes, at your attention. —

Yours, &c. &c.

Ashwell Hall

Hamilton.

23 December 1886.

My Beloved Dear —
Hartness, Co.

I am ashamed
Health and Christmas, or yesterday.
You know how the cold and lonely
have to spend this very sad.

I feel pleased at your success! that
you but the one at crowded room
you! it cost me 1/9. dollars to go to
Christmas and be your mistress. —
I spent 1:50 for your and Cheap at
the dried. — Still the people and you
thoughts before their eyes: — Think that
and your son Hilliam. Should not
have got drunk, it is pitiful for you
that was hurt out of doors. — then the
dear cousin yet. I would you all a
happy Christmas! wishes me: —

Your truly, Christopher —

Hamilton, Ont:
24, December 1886.

My dear Friend,

Your's received, with $5, enclosure; your wine is on its way, and will be at Ottawa on Christmas morning... The Reg Costs $8.00 and the Express charges is $1.25 - Total $9.25 - but then say no more about it, for I would have sent it to you whether or not, now you may make my word for it. -

You and I were on the one mind on yesterday - I was writing you for a day, for 1887. and for my 1/4 quarters pay. - At the same time you were sending me both. - About the Elections in Hamilton, since I received your letter I have made enquiries - and I am told Burns, will be elected. - Macey - will beat Col: Gibson! It will come down to the political vote! and then farewell to John Harrison Gibson, who is a right good fellow. -

I dont vote in Hamilton, and I would not be surprised but in the County of South Wentworth, - a young man named Richard Deance, will beat the Honey - the sitting M. P. P. who is a Nephew of Joseph Rymal Esq. M. P. -

If the people will vote all over the Country, according to the manner and way they express themselves; as I have heard them: Oliver Mowatt, Esq. M. P. Atty General: has but a poor chance: The Scott Act - the Boss Bills, in the Public Schools, - and the Riel question: will never go down with the Political party opposed to Mowatt, - Wishing you a happy New Year, and many returns, - Yours Sincerely. -

J. Hoodless.

J. O.

Hamilton, Ont.
24 December 1886.

My dear Friend,

Yours received, with enclosure; your note is in the mail, and will be at Ottawa on Christmas morning. The big cards of 8.00 and the Christmas cheques is $1.25 - Cost $9.25 but this day we were about it for I would have done it if he your relations not, now you must be my cousin for it.-

You and I were in the war together - I was recruiting when he enlisted for 1887; and he was I guess proud - it should have been your name during my absence.

Talent the Elections in Hamilton, since I received your letter I have made enquiries - and I am told there will be a contest.- Grant - will run

Lee: Yes! It will cause some excitement the Particular mate! but then Patterson is just wavering Tilson, who is a bright young Tellow.-

I don't note in Hamilton, and I would not be surprised but in the county of North Wentworth - a young man named Tisdale chosen, will beat Mr Turner - the nothing as G.G.F. - who is a nephew of Jim's Dyment Esq M.P., &c.-

If the people will note all over the country, according to the manner and they supposes themselves; as I have heard them: Blair allowed his M.P. - Sweet: he but a few above; the Tisdale Lee - the Ross Bill, in the Grill Island - but the Bill question: will run very well the Liberal party appeared to allowed, thinking you a hopeful candidate, many Tories.- Yours sincerely,

[illegible]

Mrs Charlotte Reid! – Hamilton! Out.
Clarkstown. – 26. December 1886. –

Your kind note received, I am glad to hear from you, that Baby! got so many presents....

Did she get any thing from her uncle and Aunt Kent of Streetsville! or from her Aunt Reid – of Michigan!

Who was the big woman that got in the witness box, when I left it....

I heard that Henry Clarkson gave fair evidence and could not be bought over; to swear you are not worthy of Credit on your oath... Your old friend stood by you! and you should never forget him! The drawing of your poor mother's will, was a puzzler..

I expected to have gone down on to-morrow, remain awhile and talk over our affairs – but I fell down the steps of the door on yesterday, and hurt the

cap of my right Knee very much. – The tendons that connect the muscles and sinews with the Cap of the Knee and thigh bone is so badly wrenched and hurt that I am unable at present to walk! I am very deaf! But by keeping myself quiet, the Dr, says: I will be well in few days: my Knee is very tightly bandaged up... As regards the boat, I am surprised that it has not arrived before this: I will write about it to-day. –

I send you enclosed herewith a Blank Note: for Mr Frank Reid, and you to sign and return to me at once – I will pay off 40. on it, and next payment will clear it off. –

With kind regards and wishing you a happy New year. I am!

Your friend. –
John W. Kerr. P.O.

Hamilton: Ont, –
26. December 1886. –

My dear friend! –
Mr John Redhead
The Big Boat
Builder, of Niagara! –

Greeting!!

Will you be so good and kind as you have always been to me; to send my Boat by Railway – on receipt – addressed! –

John W. Kerr, Esqre
Fishery Overseer. –
Port Credit, Ont.

to the care of Mr. Blakely Esqre
Hotel Kerper! –

Also 4. Oars, 4 Rowlocks, a sail, and a mast, – please see that everything is put up strong and secure. – –

1.

Please find a $1. dollar bill to pay expenses of getting the Boat, &c, to the Station and safely placed on a Railway car. –

Mr Elliot will I suppose have the Oars, &c. &c. &c. please call and get them from her for me. –

Wishing you the compliments of the season, and many happy returns! believe me! My friend! –

Yours sincerely,
John W. Kerr.
F.O.

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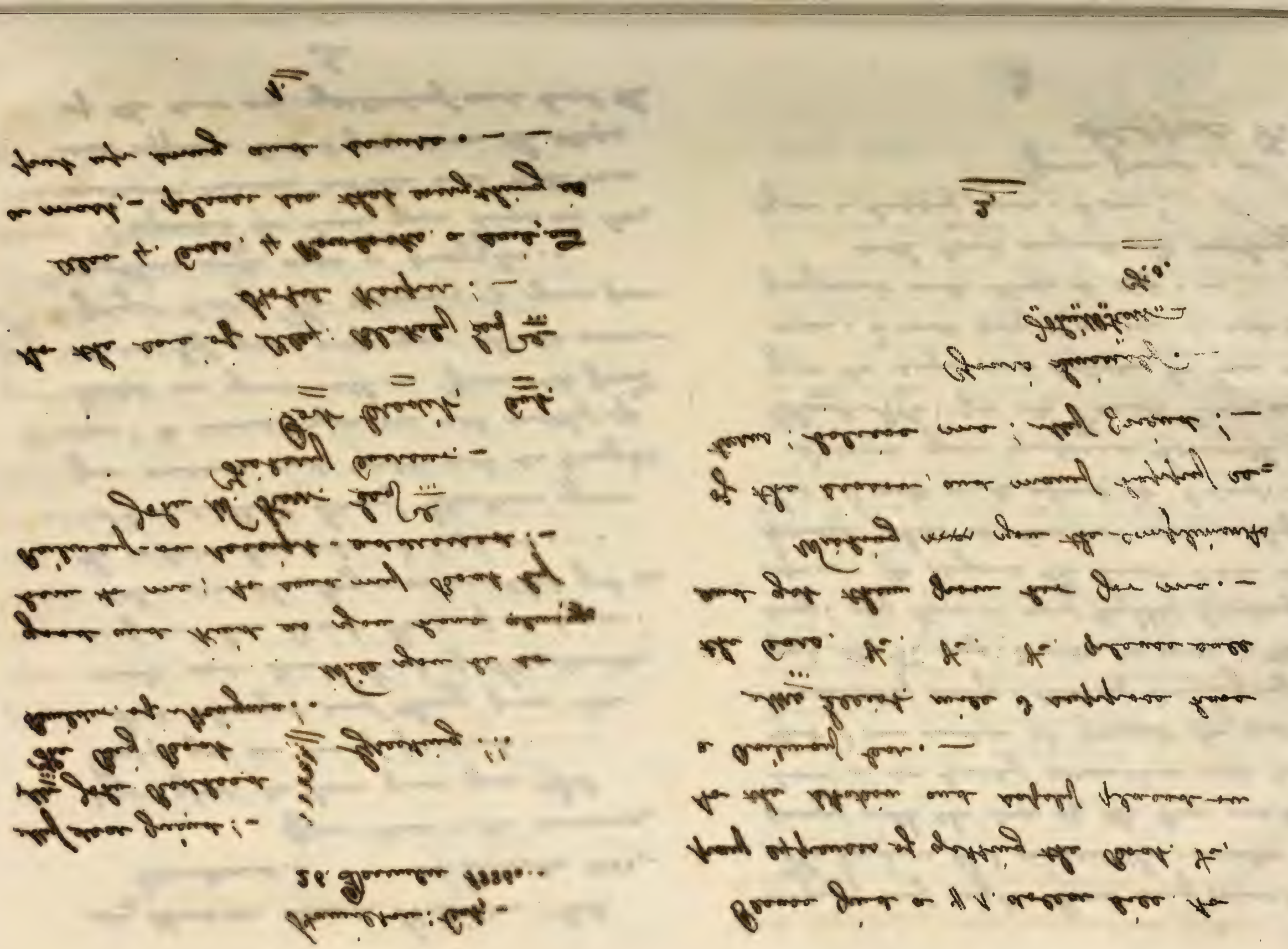


Hamilton! Ont.!—

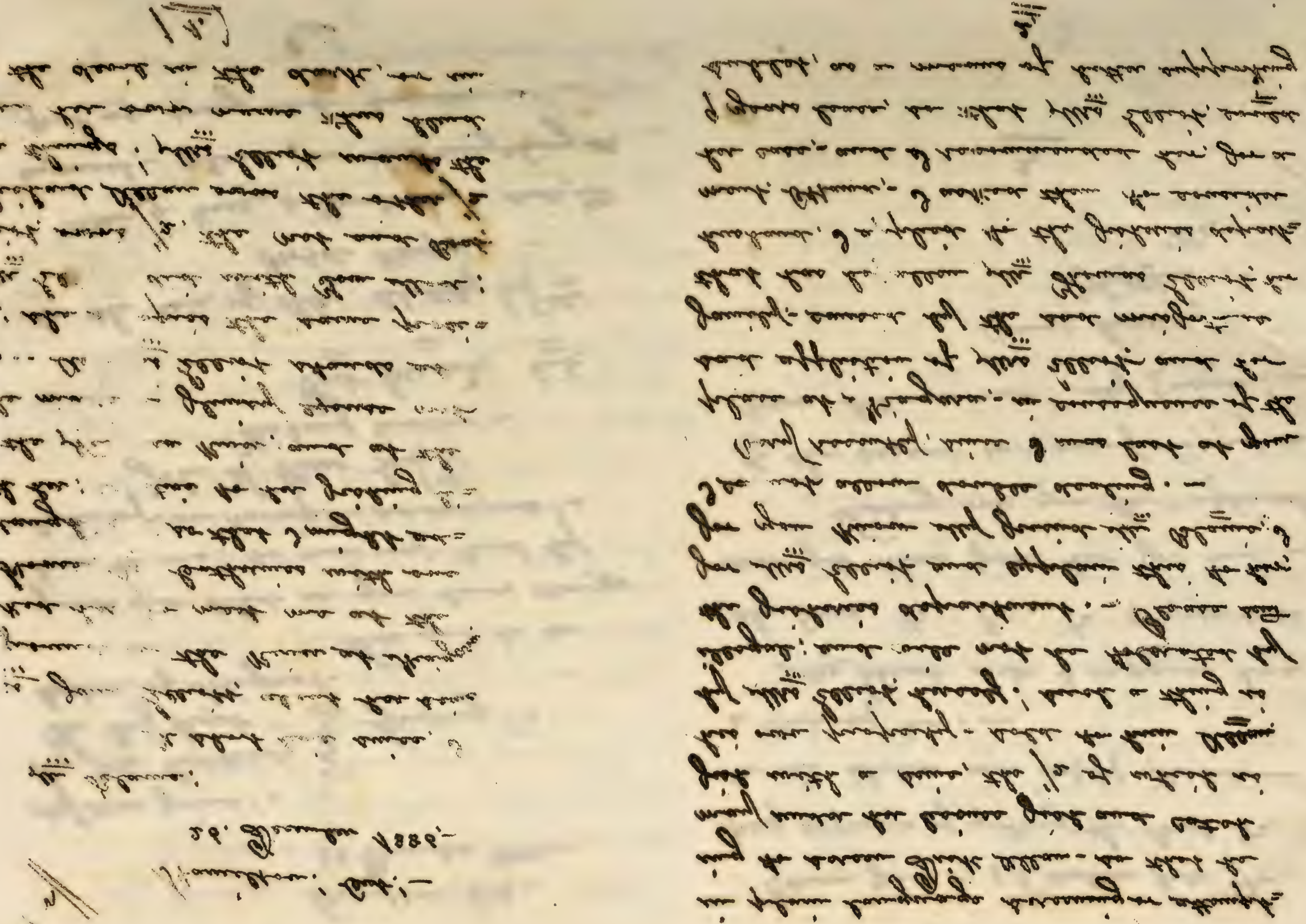
26. December 1886.—

Mr. Blaine:

A short [illegible] since, [illegible] Mrs. Jane Elliott, [illegible] her [illegible] power [illegible] the River at Niagara [illegible] Ked [illegible] met me at the Home [illegible] Catharines with one daughter [illegible] so that I might [illegible] her [illegible] to her fishing [illegible] the [illegible] River, and at the [illegible] me [illegible] Mrs. Elliott stands as [illegible] she [illegible] the same [illegible] Mr. El[illegible] and with Your [illegible]: Mrs. Elliott owns ½, the net and Boat, and Richard Allen owns the other ½ of these things! Mrs. Elliott wants the license in her own name thus blind folding the devil in the dark, or in

in plain language screening or attempting to screen Dick Allen - so that he may under her license fish and catch fish with a seine, the ½ of which is his own property - sold to him Allen by Mrs. Elliott herself! such a thing is illegal; and will not be tolerated by the fisheries department. — Please send for Mrs. Elliott and explain this to her, for you know my friend Mr. Blaine, I do not allow double dealing. —

Very recently, since I was last at your place at Niagara, - in consequence of the said affliction of Mrs. Elliott and her family, - caused by the sad misfortune that has befallen Mr. Thomas Elliott, her husband, I applied to the fisheries department, Ottawa, - I asked them to consider her case, - and I recommended her, for a 9 years lease, so that Mrs. Elliott, could sublet, as a means of better supporting



and maintaining her family! - but this the department declined to grant.. But in reply, desired me to inform her to apply for, and get a yearly license....

This you will please communicate to Mrs Elliot, at once! -

Let her apply for "the seine hauling grounds in Niagara River, fronting on "the Town of Niagara! between Rousseaux "wharf and Kennedy's hollow! extending "from the beach within said limits, out "to the boundary line."... "for year 1887."-

The license fee to be $15.00 of same as last year. - perhaps you had better write the application for her, and let me have it on the first day of this month. - - Mind dont fail in this!!!.-

I cannot mix myself up in any arrangement between Dick Allan and Mrs Elliot for if John Bolton comes to hear it he will raise cain. - - For I believe John

Bolton, will be an applicant himself, for the Niagara River, fishery next year, he thinks he is entitled to that part in front of his property.. Mrs Elliot when she gets her license for year 1887, should fish there, test the thing at once; so long in possession, Mrs Elliot can not be driven from it, by John Bolton....

I may tell you I will not, and I cannot recommend John Bolton, - for any part of the River fishery, - and if I was to do so, I dont think the fisheries department will entertain it.. he is a defaulter, fined this year, for fishing on a sunday, and altho', I understand he seine hauled at the 2, and the Allans - at the 4, still no licence fee, from either.. They will not be allowed to do this next year. -

I have done all that even lay in my power for Mrs Elliot, and her family. -: Got supported by the Roman Catholic Church

and maintaining his family!" but this the department declines to grant. But in reply, desires me to inform his op-pressed Sir, that he is a married man. . . .

This you will please communicate to Ally Hallet, at once! —

"Let his supply for this week have been given in Pringsure Town. Providing on the Cows of Pringsure! between Gunnamulla and Charleville! Instructing him the beast within must limits, out to the Gunnamulla line! . . . For year 1887."

He leaves for the 17th of June on last year. — perhaps you can better write the application for, and let me have it on the first day of this month. — Hallet doesn't fail in this!!!

I cannot rely upon in any arrangement between Hallet & Allen and Ally Hallet for if John Bolton comes to town it he will raise Cain. . . . Mr I believe John

Bolton, will be an applicant himself. Sir thinks Cain, Pulling out upon. He thinks he is entitled to that part in part of his property. Ally Hallet when he goes to leave for year 1887, should find this that the thing at rest; so long as possession, Ally Hallet can not be seen from the Bolton. . . .

I read the year I will not, not leave Gunnamulla for Bolton. For any part of the Cain fighting, and if I was to go I don't think the Pringsure department will entertain it. It is a separate, since the year, for fighting on Gunnamulla, and other I understand it does handed at the I, and the Allen's at the N. while on leave for Cain either. Officially will be allowed to go this next year. —

I have done all that can lay in my power for Ally Hallet, and the family. — left reported by the Cows [illegible]

Big Jim Cantwell; and by that Gentleman Jimmy Hutchinson; all on Mrs Elliot acct. I think ~~much~~ I guard my reputation quite as well as I possibly can; but, whatever scandal, and lies have been circulated by the above persons, because I declined cutting up Mrs Elliots, fishing grounds, - I alone became the sufferer, for I had to move off, from a comfortable Boarding House, and go to a Tavern, - the last place of all I care to stop at. - Mrs Elliot, the eldest daughter of the late Johnson Ely, displayed cowardice, in not meeting me at the Murray House! I write you knowing your friendship for Mrs Elliot, and me! Anything I write, I don't want Dick Allan, nor John Bolton to see nor know. - Wishing you the compliments of the season, and many happy returns of same! and apologising for troubling you so: believe me. - - -

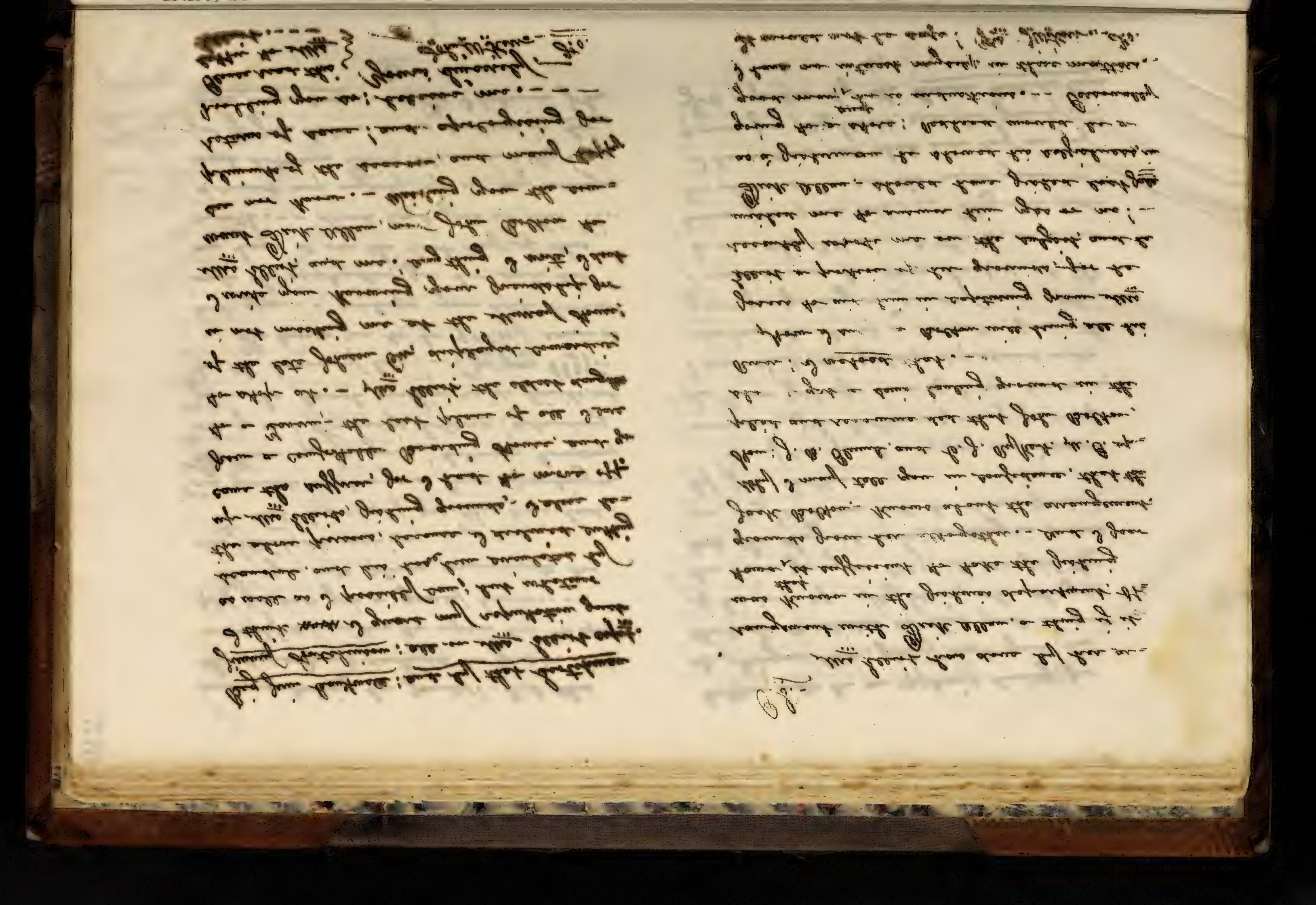
Please read this letter to Mrs Elliot. - - -

Yours Sincerely,
John W. Kerr. - J.O.

P.S. -

Mrs Elliot has done by her arrangement with Dick Allan, a thing if it was known in the fisheries department, that it would be sufficient to take the fishing grounds from her altogether. - And I fear Jack Bolton, - knows about the arrangement. Why I may tell you in confidence, that the Hon: J. B. Plumb, and C. J. Peyshat, M.P. applied and recommended that John Bolton, should get a semi hauling ground in the River! I refused that. - -

Now I see - Bolton will bring all his forces to aid him in capturing from Mrs Elliot a portion of her grounds, for he recently wrote me on the subject, and he wished me to answer him yes or no! - Dick Allan, should have fished last July as a fisherman he showed his selfishness, in going to a store; Redhead would be a good man, except he is industrious. - - Personally I have no interest myself in these matters. - It would not be safe! Yrs. J. W. Kerr, J.O.



Note.

I fell on the steps of my front door on Christmas day, - and I hurted myself so badly - that until to day, I could not walk nor put my right foot and right leg under me! Just immediately before dinner, the Turkey on the Table; I walked to the front door, and the moment I got on the upper step, away my feet went from under me and I was knocked down 5 steps on the ground. - I was so badly hurt I could not get up; my right leg & foot lay on the walk, helpless. - The tendons, that connect the cap of my Knee with my thigh bone, and the sinews and the muscles must have stretched to their utmost capacity, - and saved the thigh bone from breaking, otherwise I fear the force of the fall was sufficient to do so. I sent for a Doctor who bandaged up my Knee and thigh, which I had to keep stretched on a Sofa or bed, to avoid being a Cripple. I could not walk today I am able to move around a little; except this Elliot, tell no one! Yours. J. W. Kerr.

Hamilton, Ont. -
28. December 1886. -

My dear Friend! -

I send herewith my incidental a/cts. &c., for special duty; it amounts altogether to, $7.90.
Deduct amount advanced 50.00.
Balance, $37.90.

A man recommended by Lachlan Mine Cathcart, M. P. of Stormess Bay of Alnwick - for a license to fish Pound nets in Lake Erie, during year 1887, had $1800, burned up recently. -
He was insured for $1200. -

I am,
Yours respectfully,
John W. Kerr. -
Fishery Overseer.

S. O. Bennett Esq. M.
Fisheries Department,
Ottawa, - Ont.

Hamilton, Sept.
29. November 1886.

My dear Friend!

I have transmitted your instructions of 9. for opening another account altogether for

	£7.10.0.
Cabinet account amounts	£6.0.0.
Balance	£1.10.0.

I now recommence by detailing what happened. on Q. of Thursday last of a week. For a time it just Q. was quite fine, during year 1887, then if 1800. happens up heavily. It was cloudy for a 1820.

Yours

Yours sincerely,
Christina.

Christina Cap. Mount
Hamilton. Sept.

Note.

I pass on the steps of my first dear Hamilton story, that I hurtes myself so badly that until the day before not would my first night spent and night lay under me! that immediately before dinner, the Curtain on the Table; I another to the first door, and the moment I got on the upper step, among my foot went from under me and I was so stunned down steps on the ground. I was so badly that I could not get up; my right leg & foot lay on the with, helpless. The tenders that carried the up of my Mother with my flight home, and the nurse and the medicos must have attributed to their interest so speedily, and above the flight home from hunting, although I from the grave of the Jaw was sufficient to do so. I had for a short while bandaged up my Mother and flight, which I has to stay attached on a step or but it was long a flight. I could not write. Today I was around a little; spent the different, this morning the! Yours

Hamilton, Ont.,
28. December 1886.

Sir,

I have the honor to send you a statement of incidental account by me while on Special duty at Toronto, Collingwood, Meaford and Owen Sound; during the past "Close Season" for Salmon Trout and White fish.

Some further expenses amounting to $15.00, were incurred in connection with the drawing up of papers in the suit against G. P. McIntosh. This will be sent in directly so soon as I receive the bills from Messrs. Pollard and Miller.

To actual disbursements for travel and petty expenses whilst on Special duty outside of my division, as detailed in Diary.	$50.90
To allowance for board, and other expenses during 11 days, at $3.	" 33.00
To paid for telegrams for the purpose of intercepting "Ivy Grace Darling" and other incidental expenses.	" 4.00
Total,	$87.90

Respectfully submitted.

I Have the Honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
John V. Kerr,
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.,

28. December 1886.

I have the honor to send you a statement of miscellaneous accounts by me incurred on special duty at Toronto, Collingwood, Meaford and Owen Sound; securing the great "Police Lawsuit" for Attorney General and Attorney Gen.

Have further expenses amounting to $15.00, were incurred in connection with the obtaining copy of papers in the suit against J. S. Wilson Gutteridge. This will be sent in directly to Crown as I receive the bills from Office Attorney General and Miller.

Of actual disbursements for travel and paying expenses incident on special duty outside of my residence, as detailed in Schedule: $50.00

Of allowances for board and other expenses during Absence, at $3. " 33.00

Of paid for telegrams for the purpose of interrupting the Appeal Hearing" and other miscellaneous expenses " 4.00

Respectfully submitted: Total $87.00

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
Hamilton,
Ontario Canada

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont. –
29. December 1886. –

Sir. –

I have the honor to send you Bank draft No: 172. for the sum of Fifteen dollars. – – –

Will you be pleased to apply this amount for licenses, for this current year: as follows: –

1. Philip Huffard, Clinton. – For a boat license to fish Gill nets in Lake Ontario, fronting on his farm, already received and delivered, amount is $ 5.00 ¢.

2. Mortimer Corey – Burlington Beach. For a boat license to fish Gill nets in Lake Ontario, fronting on the County of Wentworth, already received, jointly with George Hale, and delivered! – 5.00 ¢.

3. J. B. Fairchilds. Hamilton: For a license to spear Pike and Herring in Burlington Bay, and Dundas Marsh, up to and ending on the 15th April 1887. – – 1.00 ¢. –

4. George Baker, Hamilton; – For do. do. – – 1.00 ¢. –

5. Christopher Case, do. – do. – do. – – 1.00 ¢. –

6. Dan. Reid. do. – do. – do. – – 1.00 ¢ –

7. Thomas Kilvington. do. – do. – do. – – 1.00 ¢. –

Respectfully Submitted. – Total. – $. 15.00 ¢. –

John W. Kerr. –
Fishery Overseer. –

The Deputy Minister, –
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa! Ont. –

Hamilton, Ont.

29 December 1886.

Sir,

I have the honor to have your Account rendered to:

1. For the sum of Sixteen dollars. ...

Will you be pleased to supply this amount for licenses &c., for this current year: as follows:

1. Philip Muffoner, Hamilton. For a boat license to sail his yacht in Cootes Bottom, pertaining on his farm, already received and delivered, amount is $5.00

2. [illegible] Chambly Van Dusen, Hamilton. For boat license to sail his yacht in Cootes Bottom, pertaining on the township of Flamborough, already received, "Quietly with George Steele" and delivered ... $5.00

3. J. D. Chisholm, Hamilton: For a license to open Cootes and fishing in Burlington Bay, and Hamilton Harbor, up to and including to the 15th April 1887. ... $1.00

4. George Hunter, Hamilton: For do. do. ... $1.00

5. Christopher Lane, do. do. do. ... $1.00

6. [illegible] do. do. do. ... $1.00

7. Thomas Chisholm, do. do. do. ... $1.00

Respectfully submitted. — Total. — $15.00

[illegible]

Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa. Ont.

Hamilton, Ont. —
30. December 1886. —

My dear Sir, —

Having submitted your Petition together with a letter from Wm. Kearns Esq.re of Burlington, your sitting M. P. P. — for County of Halton.

A copy of same have been sent to me by The Hon.ble The Minister of Marine and Fisheries — for the Dominion of Canada, Ottawa! to report upon. —

And having made up my mind to report in favour of the Petition I want you to come here on Tomorrow morning, so that you may furnish me with all the points — for I will do my best for you Tom Joyce! — For you are a sterling man, which no body can deny! — Come by early train and my son will meet you at the station, at 9. a. m., to bring you up here to Barton! and he will take you down again, so that you may get back from Hamilton by the 12.20. train. — I want you to go over the Petition word for word with me, and then you will place me in a position, enabling me to do you fishermen of Bronte a kind and deserving act. ---

And besides you and your brothers and brotherinlaw, who established the Bronte fishing at Bronte, and who so warmly supported Mr. Wm. Kearns, M. P. P. and returned him again in the face of great opposition: will always be kind of remembered by me! Wishing you Mrs. Joyce and family — a happy new year and many happy returns — believe me, —

Thomas Joyce Esq.re
Bronte, Ont.

Yours Sincerely,
John W. Kerr. J.P.

P.S. Please thank your brothers and brotherinlaw from me, for their successful support to Mr. Kearns. —

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Hamilton, Sept. —

30. Dec. under 1836. —

My dear Sir, —

Having endeavoured upon
Petition together with a letter upon
the Hamilton Mail of Dundee upon
Sitting at, O.O. for Township of Stoke.

I happy to have been lent to me
by the Hon. the Chief Minister of Hamilton
and Ottawa — for the Government of
Hamilton. Hoping I report upon.

But having made up my mind to
report in favour of the Petition I
want you to come here on Saturday
morning, so that you may Journey
on with all the Petitions for Dundee
so that best for you Chief Officer.

If you are a strong man, which is
hard for any Minister here by early train
and my dear wife must go at
Stoke, at p. m. to bring you up

Yours

Hamilton, Sept. —

Here to Dundee, must be with Petitions
you alone again, so that you may
get back from Hamilton by the 12.20.
train. — I want you to go over the
Petition. must go must with me, and
then you will place me in a position,
nothing me to do you Pleasure of
Dundee a Hunt and Assessing Det. ---

But besides you and your Petition
and Petitioners, who entertained the
Hon. Minister Hamilton, who entertained
Dundee Hotel, Dundee Hotel
Dundee, Sept. Chairman &c.

Dear Sir, your Petition and
Petitioners from me, for this
unnecessary Report for the Hon. —

Yours

Danl Lang Esqre Hamilton, Ont.
Eagle:- Ont. } 1st January 1887.

My dear Sir,-

I send you by Mail, this day, two blanks for you and C. W. Gauthier, for you to fill up; comprising all the different kinds of fish under various names caught by you, for self, and for Mr Gauthier, during the past year of 1886.- Also, return of Boats and Nets used in catching the same; their value, & gether with the number of men including yourself, employed.---

Please let me have the s e filled up, as soon as possible.--- A egards your losses by the storms of the 14th of October, and the mi dle of November last, I intend submitting the same to the Department, and recommending again, that compensation be granted towards repairing loss and damages.--- Wishing you and yours the compliments of the season.-

Believe me Yours Sincerely,-
John Watson- D.C.

Hamilton, Ont.
30. December 1886.---

Sir,- I have the hon to send you a statement of incidental accounts by me while on special duty at Toronto, Collingwood, and Owen Sound; during the past "Close Season" for Salmon Trout and White fish.---
Some further expenses are accounting to $15.00 incurred in connection with the drawing up of papers in the suit against J. C. McL^ne
This will be sent in shortly so soon as I receive the bills from McL^ne & Boland and others.-

I Have the Honor to be,
Sir,-
Your Obedient Servant.-
John Watson
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

Hamilton, Oct.
30th 1888.

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John William Kerr.

Hamilton

When detailed on Special duty on Georgian Bay. — — — — — —
15th November, 2. December

					Miles,	
1886. November,	15.	From Hamilton to Toronto, by direction of Department to make enquiries about the white fish and salmon trout being sold during "close season." —		S. & B. —		
-"-	16.	Visited all the Fish dealers in Toronto, thence to Hamilton: see my reports. — — —	1.	Ry fare	3.	50.
-"-	20.	By direction of Department, proceeded to Georgian Bay. —	1.	do.	3.	50.
-"-	21.	To Meaford, with Overseer Miller for the purpose of inspecting Freezers. —	1.	Ry fare,	7.	50.
-"-	22.	Seized 8. Tons of Trout from G. C. McIntosh's Freezer. —	1.	-"-	6.	25.
-"-	23.	Attended trial before Justice Stewart, against G. C. McIntosh, then proceeded to Collingwood, Miller with me. —	1.	Ry fare,	5.	00.
-"-	24.	From Collingwood to Hamilton. —	1.	do.	4.	10.
-"-	29.	Off to Toronto, saw Overseer Johnson made enquiries about illegal fishing, on to Collingwood, met Overseer Miller, thence to Meaford. —		S & B. —		
			1.	Ry. fare.	10.	25.
-"-	30.	At Meaford, making enquiries. —	1.	S & B.	1.	50.
December,	1.	Attended Police Court at Meaford in re McIntosh, from Meaford to Collingwood,	1.	Ry. fare.	2.	00.
-"-	2.	From Collingwood to Toronto, and Hamilton,	1.	S & B. —	2.	30.
		Totals.	11.	-"-	$50.	90 cts.

John W. Kerr.

Hamilton.
Oct. 1

Hamilton,	1886. 15.	Gives Hamilton to Crawford for direction of Department to make enquiries about the latrine pit and declare that being done among other things.			
—	16.	Visited all the Pit closets in Town: see my report.			
—	20.	Dep. directions of Department, proceeded to Sheriffs Court.			
—	21.	To attend, with Burgess, auditor for the purpose of inspecting Accounts.			
—	22.	Lodged 8. items of Court from W. McCutcheon's Account.			
—	23.	Attended Court before Justice Hamilton against W. McCutcheon, then proceeded to Bookkeeping, auditor with me.			
—	24.	Went Bookkeeping at Hamilton.			
—	29.	Left to Crawford some Burgess Returns made enquiries about illegal Pumping, to Bookkeeping, met Burgess auditor, returned with auditor.			
—	30.	Attended meeting enquiries.			
Hamilton,	1.	Attended Police Court at Hamilton in McCutcheon Case, proceeded to Bookkeeping,			
—	2.	Went Bookkeeping at Crawford, and Hamilton,			

Carried forward	1.	Day Pass	3.	00.
Mileage	1.	Day Pass	3.	50.
—	1.	Day Pass	3.	50.
—	1.	Day Pass	3.	50.
—	1.	—	6.	25.
—	1.	—	6.	00.
—	1.	Day Pass	3.	00.
—	1.	—	4.	10.
Mileage	1.	Day Pass	3.	00.
—	1.	Day Pass	10.	25.
—	1.	Mileage	1.	50.
—	1.	Day Pass	2.	00.
—	1.	Mileage	2.	30.
Totals.	11.	—	$50.	90¼

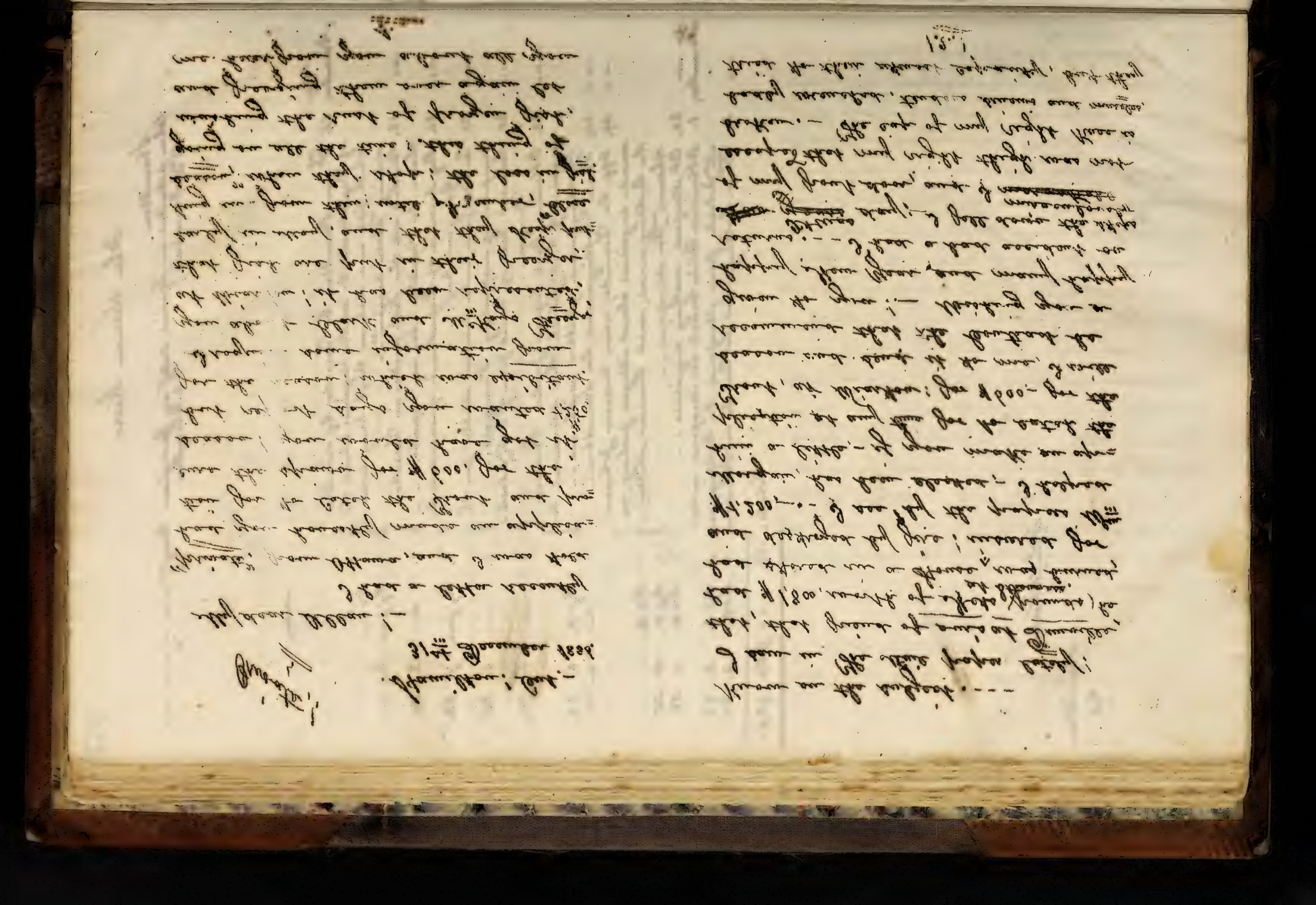
Private!

Hamilton! Ont.—
31st December 1856.

My dear Allan!—

I had a letter recently "Private", from Ottawa, and I was told had you honestly made an application for to Catch the Trout and procure the spawn for $600. for the season! you would have got it but re[illegible] it says you wanted $250. for the season; which was exhibitant. I hope some information from you about Clark and McKays Freezer at Wiarton! it has been represented, that fish are put in their freezer, barely in May, and that they keep putting in from then; until pitch number, "Close Season," when they stop; the loss in fish going on all the time: this thing of washing the rust of frozen fish, and freezing them over again let me hear from you about all you know on the subject.---

I saw in The Mail paper lately! that, that friend of our's at Dundalk had $1,800, worth of effects (pounds) he had stored in a House at Strawness, was burned, and destroyed by fire! insured for $1,200,-.- I see by the papers Wm Margan, has been elected,- I helped him a little,- if you make an application at any time for to catch the Trout, at Wiarton: for $600.- for the season and send it to me, I will recommend that the Contract be given to you!— Wishing you a happy New Year and many happy returns.--I had a bad accident on ~~New~~ ~~years~~ Xmas day;- I fell down the steps of my front door, and I ~~[illegible]~~ miraculously escaped that my right thigh was not broken.— The cap of my right knee is badly wrenched, tendons sinews and muscles, tried to their utmost capacity, but they



stood the heat. — My knee and thigh are bandaged to keep down the swelling, — but swelled and black, and blue they are; and instead of walking I have to creep again. — —

It is rather a disappointment to me as I have some travelling to do, and I am not able yet to go at it. — I helped another man, who got in: vizt Mr William Kearns — M.P.P. for Halton. — —

Wishing you a successful and prosperous year for 1887. — believe me as usual: Yours Fraternally. —

John W. Kerr
F.O.

John S. Allan Esqre
Port Dover, —
Ont

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Hamilton: Ont.
5. January 1887. —

My dear Mr Bauset, —

I deeply regret to tell you that I have just received a letter from D. Cameron, of Killarney, — that brings sad news of Captain Joe Wilson: — thus:

"I am sorry to write that the latest news I have from Captain Wilson was: he is very ill, suffering from paralytic stroke." —

"I have very little hopes of his recovery." —

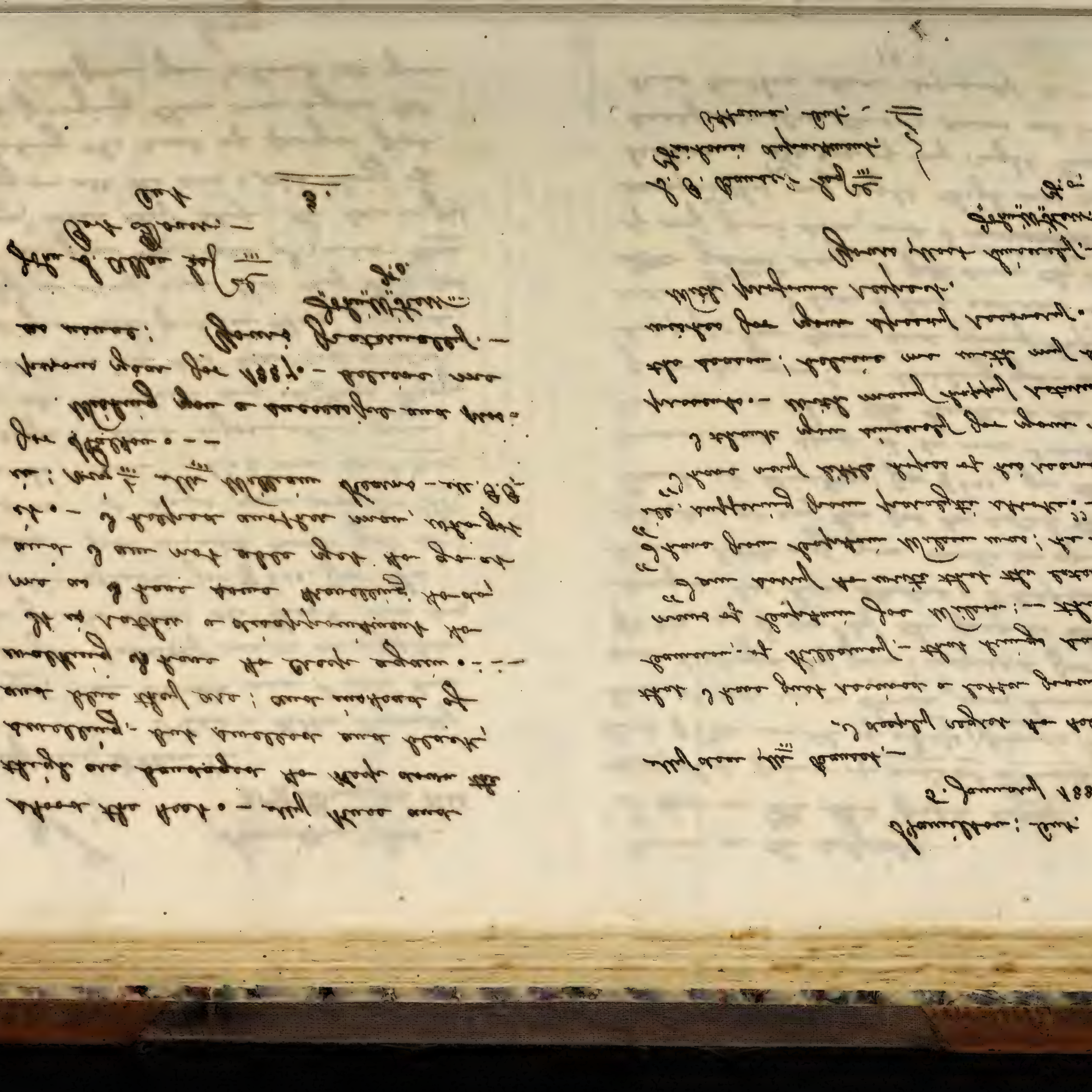
I thank you sincerely for your kind presents. — With many happy returns of the season: believe me with my best wishes for your speedy recovery. —

With profound respect.

Yours Most Sincerely, —

John W. Kerr
F.O.

S. P. Bauset Esqre
Fisheries department,
Ottawa, Ont. —



Hamilton, Ont.
31. December 1886.—

My dear Friends! —

I wish you a happy New year; to you and to families, and many happy returns; and may the coming year be successful and bountiful in your take of fish. —

As regards your loss of fishing material, I intend recommending your case to the Department. — When I hope and I expect something will be done in the premises. —

I want your Annual Report for 1886. — I send you by Mail a blank form, for to make it out on. — Please do so at once and let me have it. — Also, please let me have a statement of your losses, caused by the 14th October and middle of the month of November last. —

1.

I laid the statement of all the losses of the fishermen before the department, as soon after the 14th of October last as I could procure it from the sufferers: but require a further statement of what losses you had in November last.

We have a fierce snow storm here all day: — plenty of sleighing now; a thing we have not had for a good many winters.

With my best wishes and my warm regards to you and yours, Believe me! Yours Sincerely and Fraternally. — —

George A. Brown, John W. Kerr,
and F.O.
W. H. Cudney Esqrs
Port Burwell, Ont.

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Hamilton, Ont. -
31 December 1886.

Dear - Emery, —

I regret to learn that
- green the Doctor at Oglivie has
- deceived - I just as you expected
some time past. - I helped Morgan,
- Kearn with some votes, they
- in, - want your assistance
- of just caught and sold by you,
during the current year, please let
a know - at once, and any State-
ment you may choose to make about
- was caused by the Storm 14th October last,
I had a bad fall - 4th day, —
and hurted the cap of my right Knee,
the tendons, sinews, muscles, &c. were
stretched to their utmost capacity, and
stood the test well; and only they did
my right thigh would have been
broken. - The cap of my right Knee,
was well tried. — I fell down the

steps of my front door, and I was
shot on to the walk at railway
speed, my right leg lying prone-
less beside me. - I sent for a Doctor
who bandaged up my thigh and Knee,
and so it has remained ever since. -
I can lean a little on it, for 3 days,
I could not move it, had to creep
around, now I am getting on better. -
The steps at the front door were
washed, and then they froze over. —
Just as the dinner was being placed
on the Table, I had occasion to go
to the front door, and the instant
I opened the door and went on the
upper step away I went like a
bullet dashed out on the gravel walk,
fell with all my force, my thigh,
and Knee is swelled and black
and blue and red - I have to lie
on a sofa and get my leg stretched
out by some person, today, I am-

Hamilton, Ont.
31. December 1886.

Dear Mr. Lumsden.—

I regret to learn that
Prince is absent at Lyons, his
departure! Glad to your appreciation
since this point. — I helped always,
Mam with some notes. Only
I wish you would consult re-
of for enough our sake. If you
bring this subject upon, please let
a time — at once, that our efforts =
not you may choose to write about
cases, sent by the Mr. Brown Barber last
I had a long talk — Mr. Lumsden
was further the top of my right thee,
the tendons, sinews, muscles, &c, were
attached to them without separating, and
above the foot well; and only that our
my right thigh muscles have been
broken. — The top of my right thee,
was under twice. — I fell down the

steps

steps of my front door, and I was
shot on to the walk at Dalhousy
street, my right leg lying pressed =
two beside me. — I sent for a short
who bandaged up my thigh and thus
was so it has remained ever since. —
I can bear a little on it, for step,
I could not move it, but to creep
around, now I am getting on better. —
The steps at the front door were
unshot, and then they broke now. —
Just as the dinner was being placed
on the table, I had occasion to go
to the front door, and the incident
I opened the door and went on the
upper step, and I must tell a
bullet dashed out on the pavement
fell with all my force, my thigh,
and thus is swollen and shows
what blue and red. I have to lie
on a sofa and get my leg stretched
out by some pressure, Mondays, &c. —

Yours

writing all day,—and it is now 8.30. p. m.— Well I hope I will not be lame, there is no doubt but my leg will be weak for some time to come! So now you have particulars. — Treble sent me Frank Jacksons,— Duncan return, and wants that Frank get 2 Q. Nets, more, next year. He has gone to England, will be back in February. — He said he saw Sharp, who told him, he had to take 3 lots from Frank Jacksons grounds — so as to give a license to the Reeve of Houghton, and the Tavern Keeper, at Clear Creek, for to fish Ens pound each during the year 1887. — Kindly remember me to Mrs Emery, and the children and wishing you a Happy new year, and many returns; believe me! —

Yours Sincerely,—

John O'Keefe

Mr. Emery Esqre
St. Thomas.

P.S.

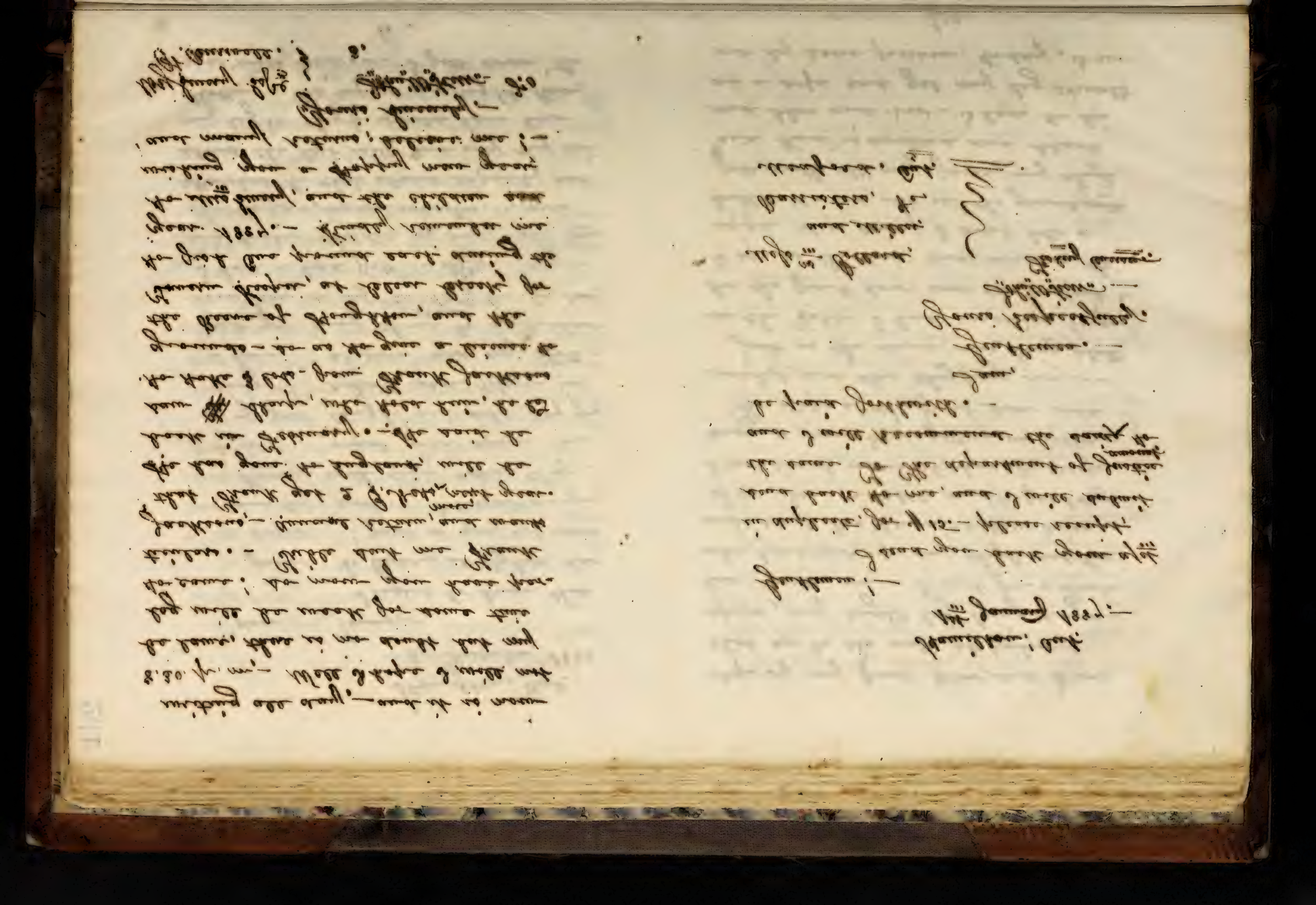
Hamilton, Ont.
1st January 1887.—

Gentlemen! —

I send you back your acct in duplicate, for $15. — please receipt, send back to me, and I will submit the same to the department of Justice and I will recommend the said account to be paid forthwith. —

I am,
Gentlemen. —
Yours Respectfully,
John O'Keefe. —
Fishery Overseer.

Messrs Pollard,
and Miller,
Barristers, &c,
Meaford, Ont.



Hamilton, Ont.,

Sir, 3rd January 1887.

I have the honor to send you herewith for consideration and approval my account, and expenditure incurred by me during the active performance of my duties in Niagara, Niagara and Hamilton Districts: for the quarter ending 31st December 1886.

Accounting as per account No. 1				$90.95
Add: Vouchers	1.	For Postages paid	J. W. Kerr	6.65
" " "	2.	For Stationery	do	2.20
" " "	3.	For Telegraphs	do	2.06
" " "	4.	Boatman	C. J. Kerr, per do	6.00
" " "	5.	do	Fred. Kerr do	5.00
" " "	6.	do	Edd. Kerr do	12.00
" do,	7.	For Office Rent, paid	do	5.00
Respectfully Submitted			Total	$129.86

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

John W. Kerr
Fishery Overseer.

Albert Ball. – Niagara! –
On the Lake!!! –
Has my boat been shipped to Port Credit, see Redland and Geddes. –
Hamilton,
7. January 1887. –

Overseer! –
John W. Kerr. –
Fishery Overseer. –

Hamilton, Ont.,

30th January 1887.

Sir,

I have the honor to send you herewith our approved and signed time account for one showing the extra performance of my duties in your Hospital and Hamilton City Gaols for the quarter ending 31st of December 1886.

Summary as per account hereunto $120.75

Deduct 1/3 for Gaolmen, &c. 40.25

" 2/3 for Gaolmen 80.50

" 3/3 for Gaolmen 80.50

" 4/3 for Gaolmen 80.50

" 5/3 for Gaolmen 80.50

" 6/3 for Gaolmen 80.50

" 7/3 for Office Cost, paid to Gaoler 80.50

Temporarily submitted $1,129.85

The Provincial Secretary,
Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, Ont.

Gaoler Hamilton.
Finding Lawson.

Albert Hall. - Hospital.

Sir,

I have not been able to get
Breakfast, see Teachers and Gaoler. —

Hamilton,
7th January 1887. }

Gaoler Hamilton.
Finding Lawson.

The Department of Justice, Ottawa

In Account with Messrs Pollard and Miller,

of Meaford, Barristers at Law! &c. &c. &c.—

November, 1886.— 23rd — Instructions to prosecute G. P. McIntosh, fish dealer,

For having in his possession, at the Town of Meaford, on

the 22nd day of November 1886. "Close season"— Salmon Trout, in

contravention of the Fisheries Act.—

When the Defendant pleaded guilty, as to one Ton, out

of Eight Tons of Salmon Trout, drawing necessary papers,

and attending on case before Squire Stewart, adjourned

to December 1st 1886.— Counsel fee! — $5.00 c.

December, 1886. 1st Attorney's on case when finally disposed of,

Defendant found guilty, and ordered to pay a

fine of $5, and $3.85 c. costs.— Counsel fee! — 10.00 c. —

Total, $15.00 c. —

The Department of Justice, Ottawa! —

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The Department of Justice, Ottawa:

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of Alleyford, Dominion of Canada, &c. &c. &c.—

November 23rd 1886 — distributing to prisoners Geo. Gillis Gabriel, Jas. Neelon,

Geo. Henning in his possession, at the town of Alleyford, on the

22nd day of November 1886, "Three cannons" Dalhousie Street in

contravention of the Gaming Act. —

When the Defendant Plaintiff quitly, on to one Chas. Cut

of Eight Ohm of Dalhousie Street, claiming necessary papers,

and attending on case before Police Magistrate adjourned

to December 7th 1886. — Counsel fee 1 — $3.00 cts

December 14th 1886 Attending on case when finally disposed of,

Defendant found guilty, and ordered to pay a

fine of $5, and $3.85 cts costs. — Counsel fee 1 — 10.00 cts

Total $15.00 cts

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Total $15.00 cts

1888.					
October,	4.	At Niagara, and Buffalo by order from the department; see report on Niagara River, at Fort Erie - polluted by Buffalo people: - - - -	1.	S.H.&B. - 138. Ry. -	5. 35.
-"-	7.	At Brants, took down applicants names for Boat licenses, inspected fisheries, thence to Port Credit, and return home. -	1.	S.H.&B. 72. Ry.	3. 85.
-"-	11.	At Mimico, about Boat licenses, and to inspect the Fisheries. -	1.	30. S.H.&B.	2. 35.
-"-	13.	At St Catherines, thence to 15 mile Pond, and along the Lake Ontario shore to the village of Grimsby, - thence home by Railway. - - - -	1.	Team &c. 76. Ry. &c.	6. 50.
-"-	15.	Attended Police Court Hamilton, Complainant against James Joyce, of Brants, for contravention of the fisheries Act; see report to Department.	1.	8. S.H.&B.	1. 50.
-"-	17.	To St Catherines, and Niagara, from thence with a Constable to Queenston to inspect the fisheries there! back to Niagara. - - -	1.	Constable, S.H.&B. - 64. Ry. &c.	10. 00. -
-"-	18.	From Niagara, to Port Dalhousie, St Catherines, Hamilton and home: -	1.	Team &c 50. Ry.	4. 00.
-"-	20.	On B. Beach, collected licence fees. -	1.	24. S.H.&B.	2. 00.
-"-	26.	At Brants, thence to Toronto to see Mr D.W. Port, thence back to Hamilton and home. -	1.	S.H.&B. 92. Ry. -	4. 90.
-"-	29.	On B. Beach, to inspect fisheries. - -	1.	24. S.H.&B.	2. 00.
November,	3.	At Toronto, and Port Credit; got a Post card giving information that G. P. Mr Intosh of Milford, had only one Trout, and no other fish in his Freezer, on 31st of October. - -	1.	S.H.&B. - 88. Ry. &c.	5. 00.
-"-	8.	To Harrisburg, Brantford, Tillsonburg and Pt Burwell! - to inspect fisheries of the Elgin Division; Lake Erie. - -	1.	S.H.&B. 84. Ry. -	6. 80.
-"-	9.	At Port Burwell, and amongst the fishermen,	1.	-"-	1. 00.
-"-	10.	At Port Burwell, Pt Stanley, Pt Bruce, Dunnville, St Thomas! to see fishermen. -	1.	S.H.&B. 52. Ry.	4. 10.
-"-	-	From 15. November, to 2nd of December on Special duty, already returned?? -	-	- - -	- -
5. December,	6.	Off to St Catherines, Queenston and Niagara; getting up annual returns, &c. &c.	1.	Team. 56. Ry. &c.	6. 00.
-"-	7.	At Niagara, all day making enquiries about the fisheries. - -	1.	-"-	1. 50.
-"-	8.	From Niagara to Hamilton. - - - by six Mile Creek. -	1.	50. Ry. S.H.&B.	3. 75.
-"-	10.	At Port Credit, for to see how W. B. Woolford, was getting along fishing.	1.	S.H.&B. 66. Ry.	3. 50.
-"-	13.	At Brants, collecting license fees. -	1.	36. do. &c.	2. 75.
-"-	16.	At B. Beach, found all right. -	1.	24 S.H.&B.	2. 00.
-"-	17.	At Pt Dover, met Peter Price, and D. Sharp there on fishing business. - -	1.	S.H.&B. 46. Ry.	3. 60. -
-"-	18.	At Pt Dover, thence to Hamilton. - -	1.	46. do.	3. 80. -
-"-	20.	On the Heights and B. Bay. - -	1.	10. S.H.&B.	1. 50.
-"-	21.	At Brants, to enquire about cleaning fish on Sunday. - - -	1.	36. Ry.	-"- 95.
-"-	22.	On Dundas Marsh, seized 2. spears, for not taking out licence.	1.	12. S.H.&B.	2. 00.
		Total. —	25.	1.187. M.	7.90. 95 7.

1846.

October	4.	Mr. Thompson, and Supplies by order from the Superintendent; see report Mr. Thompson then, at Mr. Hill's - particular for English people : - - -	1. 138. Mul.	5.	35.
-"-	7.	Mr. Brown, that there were applicants names for Great Bivers, inspected Pickings, there to Mr. Brandt, and return home. -	1. 72. Mul.	3.	85.
-"-	11.	Mr. Brown, about Great Bivers, and to inspect the Pickings. -	1. 30. Ditto.	2.	35.
-"-	13.	Mr. Bettenson, there to 15 mile Bay, and from the Lake Huron then to the village of Manitowaning - there from for Delivery. - - -	1. 76. Mul. Steam 4.	6.	50.
-"-	15.	Mathewson Esq. Great Manitoulin, Superintendent appointed James Joyce of Drake, for instructions of the Pickings Det: see report to Superintendent.	1. 8. Ditto.	1.	50.
-"-	17.	To Mr. Bettenson, and Thompson, from there with a Boatable to Shawanaw to inspect the Pickings there: Boat to Thompson. - -	1. 64. Mul. Boatable. Ditto. Steam 4.	10.	00.
-"-	18.	From Thompson, to Det Bettenson. Mr. Bettenson, Manitoulin over Drums : -	1. 24. Mul.	4.	00.
-"-	20.	For G. General Collector Licence Fees. -	1. 24. Ditto.	2.	00.
-"-	26.	Mr. Brants there to Drummond to see the Det there Boat to Manitoulin over Drums. -	1. 92. Mul. Ditto.	4.	90.
-"-	29.	For G. General, to inspect Pickings. -	1. 24. Ditto.	2.	00.
November	3.	Mr. Brants over Det Brandt, got a Det over giving information that G. Mills intend of leaving the Chippewas on 31st of October. - -	1. 88. Mul. Ditto.	6.	00.
-"-	8.	To Manitoulin, Brantford, Tobenbung and Burwell. - to inspect Pickings of the Chippewas Mississaugas, Lake Huron. - -	1. 84. Mul. Ditto.	6.	50.
-"-	9.	Det Det Burwell, and summon the Pickers,	1. - - -	1.	00.
-"-	10.	Mr Det Burwell, Mr Mulvey, Mr Brown.	Ditto.		
-	-	Pickers, the Chiefs : to see Pickers.	1. 32. Mul.	4.	10.
-"-	-	To Chiefs 15, Brantford, to 2nd report under on	- - -	-	-
-"-	-	Brantford etc. - Chippewas Mississaugas -	- - -	-	-
November	6.	Mr to Mr Bettenson, observation and Pickings, getting up Burwell returns, &c. &c.	1. 56. Mul. Steam.	6.	00.
-"-	7.	Mr Thompson, all about nothing suspicious about the Pickings. -	1. - -	1.	50.
-"-	8.	From Thompson to Manitoulin. - - -	1. 50. Mul. Ditto.	3.	75.
-"-	10.	Mr Det Brandt, Gov to see how Mr. G. Mclaughlin, was getting along Pickings.	1. 66. Mul. Ditto.	3.	50.
-"-	13.	Mr. Brants, Collecting licence fees. -	1. 36. do.	2.	75.
-"-	16.	Mr G. General, Gravels all night. -	1. 24. Ditto.	2.	00.
-"-	17.	Mr Mr Brown met Det Brandt, and G. Mclaughlin there on Picking business. - -	1. 46. Mul. Ditto.	3.	60.
-"-	18.	Mr Mr Brown there to Manitoulin. - -	1. 46. do.	3.	60.
-"-	20.	For the Chiefs and Det Mul. - -	1. 10. Ditto.	1.	50.
-"-	21.	Mr Brants, to enquire about cleaning Pick on Sunday. - - -	1. 36. Mul.	-"-	90.
-"-	22.	For Summer Allowance, Indian 2. Chiefs, for not Fishing with Indians.	1. 12. Ditto.	2.	00.
		Total. —	26. 1.184.	4.	90. 95½.

Hamilton, Ont. –
4, January 1887. –

Sir. –

I have the Honor to send you Bank draft, No: 184. for Ten dollars. –

Will you be pleased to apply this amount, for this current year, as follows: –

1. Edward Denroach, Hamilton! For a licence to spear Pike and Herring in Burlington Bay, and Dundas Marsh; up to, and ending on the 15th day of April 1887. $1.00 –
2. James Simmons, Hamilton. For do. do. – 1.00 –
3. John Borland, – do. – – do. – do. – 1.00 –
4. James Smith. – do. – – do. & do. – 1.00 –
5. Charles Gage, Barton. – do. – – do. – 1.00 –
6. Mathias and George Corey, Burlington Beach; For a Boat licence to fish 2,000 yds of 2½ inch mesh, Herring Gill nets, in Lake Ontario; fronting on the Townships of Saltfleet, and Grimsby! – I recommend this licence to be granted and sent to me! – $5.00 –

Total. – $10.00 –

O.K.

When convenient! – – I Have the Honor to be,

Sir. –

Your Obedient Servant. –

John Wise
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa, – Ont.

Hamilton, Ont. —

Dec. — 4. January 1887. —

I have the honor to send you herewith

No: 184. for the orders. —

Will you be pleased to supply this amount

for this amount you, as follows: —

1. Honor Brennan, Hamilton! For a licence to

open Life over drinking in Burlington Bay, one

Hundred dollars: up to, and ending on the 15th day of

April 1887. $ 1.00 —

2. James Brennan, Hamilton, For do. do. . 1.00 —

3. John Barkman, do. . . do. . do. . 1.00 —

4. James Smith. — do. . . do. & do. . 1.00 —

5. Nicholas Sage, Barton. — do. . . do. . 1.00 —

6. Albertus van Sparge Bonny, Burlington

Beach; For a boat licence to fish 2,000 yds

of 2½" mesh net, drawing fish ends in state

Bottom: fishing on the Hamilton of Burlington

and Grimsby: I accompany this licence to $ 5.00

to procure our boat to me: — Total. — $ 10.00

O.K.

Will you comment: — I have the honor to be,

Sir. —

Your Obedient Servant. —

Hamilton.

Chief Engineer.

The Deputy Minister

Department of Fisheries.

Ottawa. — Ont.

Hamilton, Ont. —
4. January 1887. — —

Sir. —

I beg to apply to you for the Seine Hauling grounds in Niagara River, fronting on the Town of Niagara; between Rousseau's wharf, and Kennedy's hollow; and extending from the beach within said limits, out to the boundary line for year 1887. —

In behalf of Mrs. Jane Elliott of Niagara, for the purpose of fishing One legal White fish Seine, 4" inch mesh, centre, 250 yards long thereon. — — —

And One Herring Seine, 3" inch mesh, centre 120, yards long thereon, during this current year of 1887. — The licence fee is to be $15.00. —

I recommend that you will be pleased to grant this licence. — — —

I Have the Honor to be,
Sir. —
Your Obedient Servant. —
John W. Kerr. —
Fishery Overseer. —

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries. —
Ottawa, Ont. —

Peter Price Esqre
Fishery Overseer. —
Long Point, —
St Williams, —
Ont. —

Mailed on 6. Jany 1887.
Printed Papers. — — — —

Hamilton, Ont. —

Dec. — 4th January 1887. — —

I beg to apply to you for the mining claims=
ing ground in Allegan County, bounding on the Town
of Allegan: between Monsoons entry and Kennedy
Hollow; one extending from the head within and
inside, out to the boundary line for year 1887. —
On behalf of Mr. John Elliott of Allegan, for
the purpose of finishing the legal subdivision, 40 "inch mark, centre. 350 yards long thereon. — —
But the Mining claim, 3 "inch mark, centre 120 yards long thereon. during the current year of
1887. — The license fee is to be $15.00 . —
I recommend that you will be pleased to
grant this license. — —

I have the Honor to be,
Sir. —
Your Obedient Servant. —
Subscribed —
Stanley Benson. —

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries. —
Ottawa, Ont. —

Peter Ross Esq.
Fishery Inspector. —
Long Point. —
Mr. Mullinaux. —
Ont. —

Minister on 4th January 1887. —
Minister Departs. — — — — —

Dear Stewart Esqre
46. Goodall Street.
Buffalo. N.Y. — Hamilton! Ont. —

4. January 1887. —

My dear Friend! —

Your Kind favor of the 27th ultimo; is received! I am always pleased to get a letter from an old friend! sincere and true as you proved yourself to me on many occasions! more than 30 years ago. —

I am glad to hear from you!!! —

Now as regards your first enquiry about our mutual friend Mr A. P. MacDonald, address. — I think, in fact I feel sure that Toronto, will find him! and place after his name "Railway Contractor" — . — . —

You are aware perhaps, that there is no other A. P. Macdonald, in Canada, but our friend of 30 years ago, extensive as we have grown, from the Atlantic to Pacific Ocean! Only one A. P. Macdonald: always a good honest sound loyal subject.

A. P. Macdold. left Glenora, many years ago! the place became to small for an industrious useful man of his intelligence and active life. — Why, my dear friend, A. P. Macdonald, represented the constituency, in which Glenora is situated, 2. or 3 terms; as M. P. — House of Commons. —

I have not seen nor met him for many years, no doubt he may now require a good man of your known abilities. — —

George Lowe Reid, late Esq. Chief Engineer, of the Great Western Railway, of Canada! left that Company, many years ago! and went to England: he lives in Shrewsbury or Brighton! in private; he is rich, having taken a fortune of about 500.000, dollars, home with him. —

And by the death of his brother, in Scotland, he became still richer, by a large legacy he left him. — I can find his exact address for you, if you wish.

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John Campbell Holland, Esqre Civil Engineer, on the G. W. Ry. of Canada, was left a fortune by a friend in England: and he too left to go there and enjoy it. --

Your friend Big Alex: McDonald Esqre is still alive, and lives in Toronto; when I saw him last, he looked old and seemed to be failing. -- The cask, he usually carried along with him: was dwindling downwards, and age was begun to take on our worthy and esteemed friend Big Alleck!!!.

And so you seem by your letter to me to have travelled the Railway world, of United States, &c. &c. -- all over. ---

Nearly all our old friends and acquaintances are dead and gone, Contractors not one left. -- Civil Engineers - dead or left. Conductors on the G. W. Ry. - only a few remaining! - All the Zimmermans dead! - and changes again and again took place in G. W. Ry, - until at last it Amalgamated

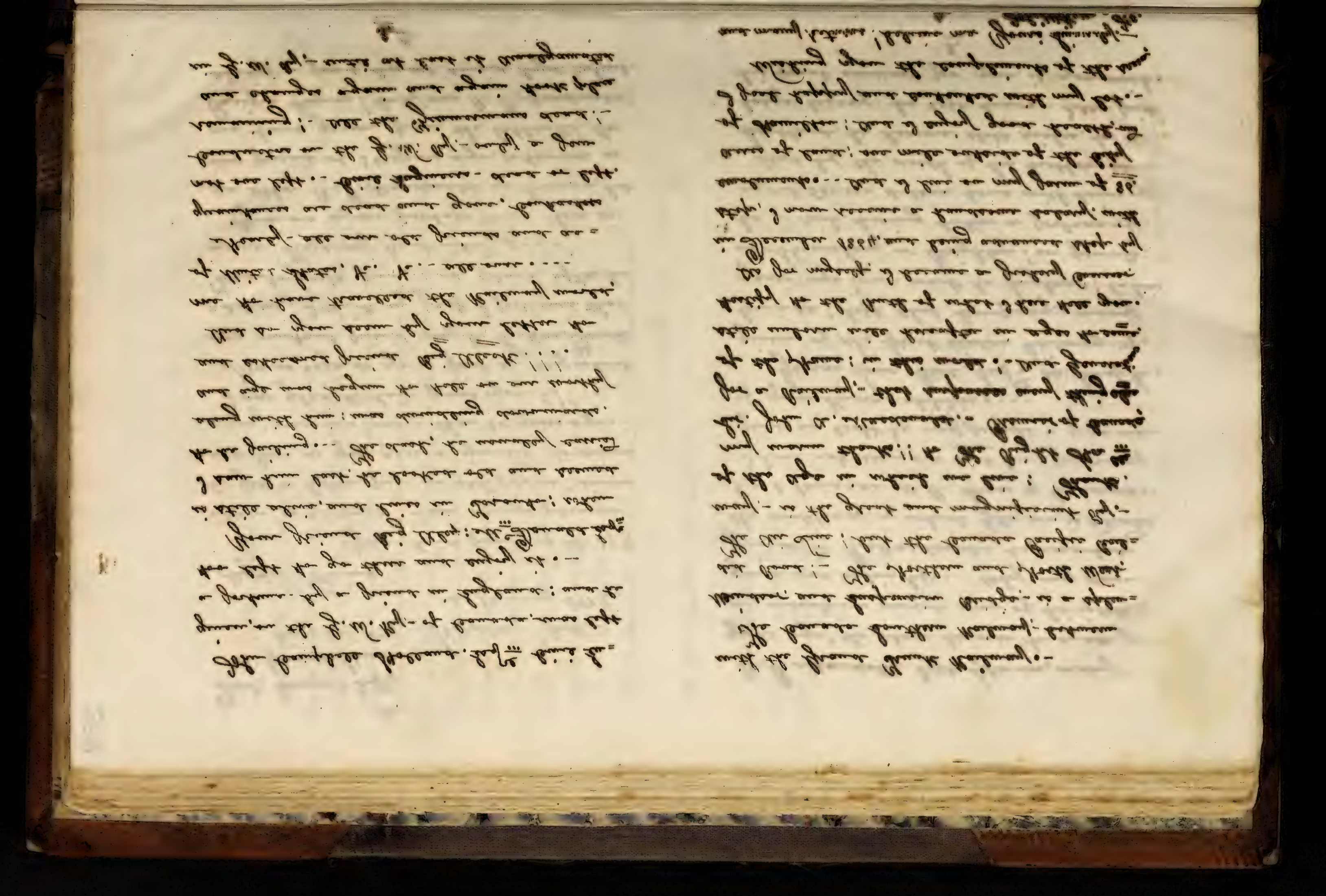
with the Grand Trunk Railway. -

The Canada Southern Railway, between Windsor, and Suspension Bridge, - is a splendid Road! - The Northern and North West, The Air Line; but the Canada Pacific Railway, - is the great and magnificent Ry. - of the Age in which we live: Thanks, my warm thanks!! to The Right Honble Sir. John A. Macdonald, - Premier of Canada, for a Railway, - that surpasses every thing else of the name: in this world! - And Generations still unborn will hereafter in ages to come, testify to the truth of what I here tell you.

As for myself, I became a Fishery Overseer, in December 1864, and being advanced step by step, I now receive a handsome salary, with emoluments. -- And I live on my farm of 86. acres of land; one mile outside of the City of Hamilton; And I enjoy good health, and I feel happy and contented with my lot. -

Wishing you the compliments of the season, and many returns! believe me Yours Sincerely, -

John Wilson - J.P.



Hamilton, Ont.

Mrs Jane Elliott, 4. January 1886. —

Niagara! —

Dear Madam! —

Yours received, my only reason in asking you with one of your daughters, to meet me at the Murray House, St Catherines, — was simply to show you the application I had made in your behalf, for a 9 years lease, of the fishing grounds in the Niagara river: and the answer to me refusing to grant the same. —

I suppose your excuse that you have given for not coming is a valid one! harmless to me.

I send you back your Memorandum of fish caught last spring: what did young Keith catch in the Gill nets: — You seem to have omitted this altogether! — please rectify it on the blank form I send you,

Enter, the number of Boats you had engaged last year in fishing, and their value, see the return marked in pencil thus, X

It is necessary I should know the number of men you employed fishing, but I require no names; see printed form I send you thus X.

I also also require to get from you the number of yards of Gill nets you had and fished last spring thus X !!.

Also, the length of your Seine in Rods, thus X !!! —

The White fish, and Herring, caught under your licence will require to be converted in to pounds, and a price per pound fixed; and calculated accordingly; whatever it may be: —

900. White fish, average weight, 3 or 4 or 5, pounds weight, each, as the case may be! would give the pounds — by multiplying 900, by 3. 4. or 5. as the case may be for the average weight of each fish; then multiply again by 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10 cf. per pound, or 12 or 20 dollars per 100 fish, — and fill in the return correctly. — — — You answered fill in the house! X. 2.

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Herring is be treated in a similar manner, and all returned in Pounds weight at 2.3. or 4 cf. per pound; why God bless my soul, your own good daughter Emily, can fill up the entire return. - - -

And if not get Mr Thomas Blame. - to make it out for you, sign your name at the bottom and send back to me! in fishing matters my dealings are all together with your own precious self. I hope Emily will sufficiently understand how and what to do, and to fill up the return correctly. - There surely ought to be some Pickerel bought in the fish note, beside perch! and Coarse fish - mullets and bustlers. - - - Dont omit anything just all in the return; I am accountable and so are you that an honest return is made. - Dear Allan, recollect is in no way accountable to the fishing department, so far as the catch of fish under your license is concerned: remember this. - Your friend!

John Wilson Esq.

P.S.

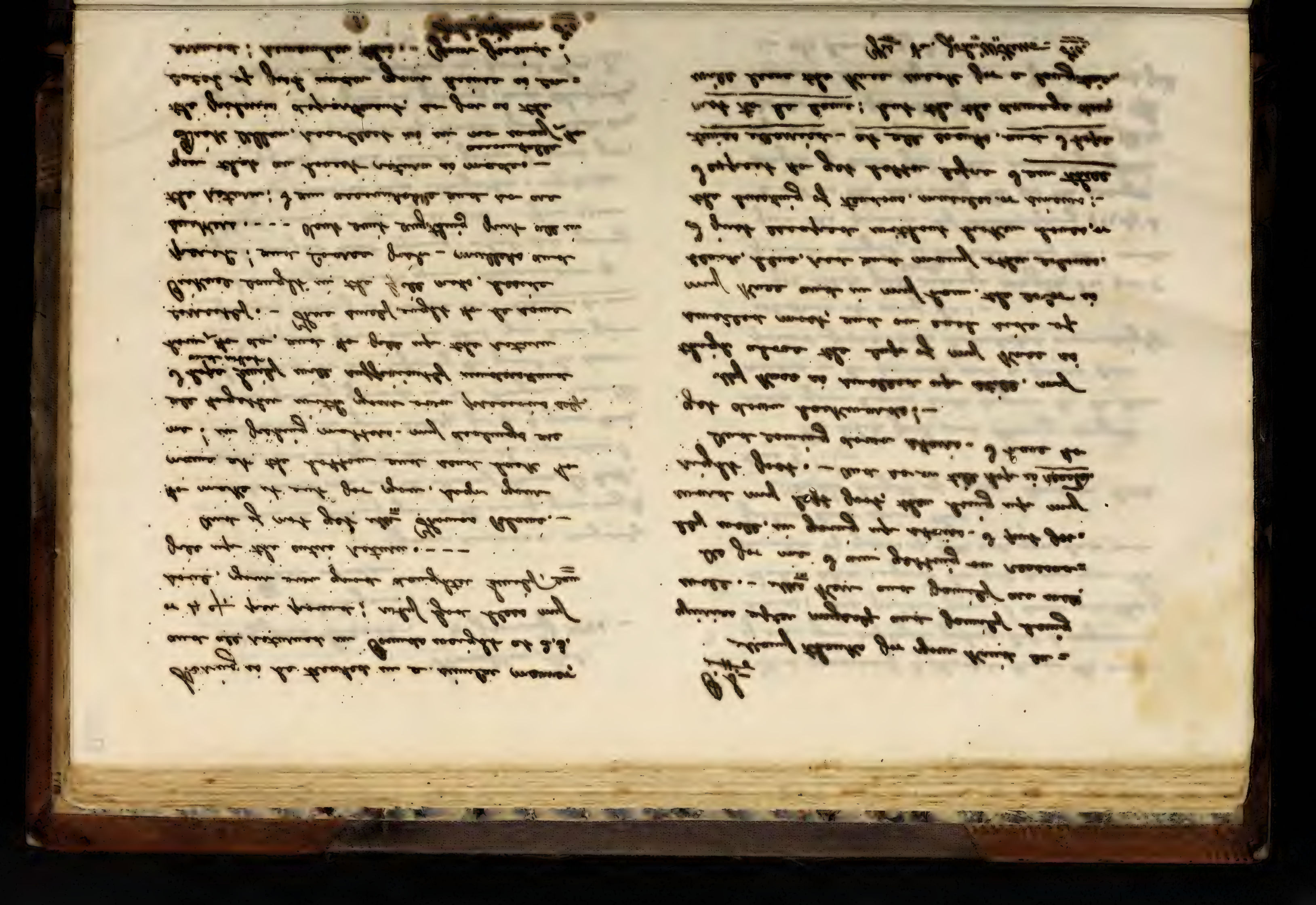
Many thanks for your kind enquiries after myself and family being well. - Mrs Kerr and family are well.

As for me I am getting on reasonably well, in going up stairs. I put forward my left foot, then bring up my right foot. - And so on till top is reached.

And coming down stairs. I have to get down backwards! -

My Knee is swelled up still, my thigh above the top of my Knee is swelled most, and on each side of my Knee and in my thigh, the color is black, blue, red and many other colours. I just escaped without broken bones, or the bursting of tendons, muscles or sinews! - I expect to get better before I am three times married - at all events, and I hope not to be lame: but the the damage may will leave the Knee much for a longtime.

Yrs &c. John Wilson Esq.



Hamilton: Ont.
4. January 1887.—

Dear Sir.—

I send you a blank form, for you to fill up of all fish caught by your men during the past year of 1886.—

Also number of men fishing; Boats fishing and value of same.—

Nets and Hooks used in catching fish and the value of same.—

Put down all fish caught by weight, if caught in American or Canadian waters specify the same; and please let me have the return filled up as soon as possible!. Believe me!—

Yours truly,—
John Wiker
F. O.—

Robert Bishop Esq.
Niagara,—
Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.
4. January 1887.—

Dear Sir.—

I send 2. Blanks today, one for your brother, the other for you; to be filled up of all fish caught by each of you during the past year of 1886.—

Also the number of Boats, (men) and Nets used in catching them; and the value of the same.

Put down every fish caught, in pounds weight, specifying if in American, or Canadian waters caught.— and please let me have the return filled up as soon as possible.--- Believe me!—

Yours truly,—
John Wiker
F.O.—

John Bolton Esq.
Niagara, Ont.

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Peter Price
Long Point, Lake Erie!
1st January. 31st December 6

				Miles!	
1886. February.	27.	From St Williams to Long point, Lake Erie: to look after persons spearing there, near the Cottages. ---	1.	St & C. 26, Miles,	4. 00.
May.	3.	From St Williams to Long point, Lake Erie, to protect the Bass, Pickerel, and Maskinonge there; during "Close Season". --	1.	Man and 30. Boat,	4. 00.
-"-	25.	From St Williams to Long Point, Lake Erie, protecting Bass, Pickerel and Mas=Kinonge during the "Close Season". --	1.	Man and 30. Boat,	4. 00.
June.	24.	From St Williams, to Long point, Lake Erie, to inspect and protect the Fisheries there! -- found all right. --	1.	Man and 30. Boat,	4. 00.
July.	21.	From St Williams, to Long point, Lake Erie; to collect licenses, fees. ---	1.	Man and 30. Boat,	4. 00.
December	17.	From St Williams, to Port Dover to meet Overseer, John W. Kerr, from Hamilton; handed him my annual returns, ending 31st December 1886, discussed and talked over fishery matters! Mr Kerr, made out report.	1.	St & C. 40. Miles,	4. 00.
Add!		For Stationery, Postages, and Telegraphs, for year ending 31st of December 1886. ---		——"—	1. 00.
				Totals. -- 6. -- 186. Miles.	25. 00.

Examined: then made out this act for Overseer, Peter Price. I certify the same is correct. - - -

John W. Kerr.
Fishery Overseer,

Hamilton: Ont.
5. January 1887.

January. --- 7

Long Point.
St Williams.
Ont.

Peter Dunn
Long Point, Lake Erie.
31st January. 31st December

Allowances!

1886. December.	27.	Brought forward to Long Point, Lake Erie: to last order passed approving the year's bookings ...		1. 24. Miles	£. 00.
January.	3.	Brought forward to Long Point, Lake Erie, to protect the Dunn Brothers, and allow them to remain there; claiming "Above Canon" ...	allowance	1. 30. Days	£. 00.
	25.	Brought forward to Long Point, Lake Erie, protecting Dunn Brothers and allowing them to remain the "Above Canon" ...	allowance	1. 30. Days	£. 00.
June.	24.	Brought forward to Long Point, Lake Erie, to inspect and protect the Fishermen there ... Present all night ...	allowance	1. 30. Days	£. 00.
July.	24.	Brought forward to Long Point, Lake Erie: to collect licenses ...	allowance	1. 30. Days	£. 00.
December	17.	Brought forward to Port Dover to meet Inspector John M. Klein, from Amherstburg; Pelee Island and Leamington, during 31st December 1886, inspection and traveling on Fishery matters: also Klein's monthly report.		1. 40. Miles	£. 00.
		For year ending 31st of December 1886 ...			£. 00.
		Total ... 6. - 186. Miles.			25. 00. £ -

Examined: Klein presents and this 27th day of December. Peter Dunn: certifying the same is correct ...

Amherstburg:
5th January 1887.

Chief Inspector.

Long Point.
Lake Erie.
Dunn.

January ... 1

Peter Price Esqre
F. Overseer.—
Longpoint.—
St. Williams, Ont.—

Hamilton:—Ont.
5. January. 1887.—

My dear Peter!—

I send you by Mail this day,— your incidental a/c^t for the year, ending on the 31st of December 1886.—

Will you please sign your name where I have pencilled — swear to it, before a Magistrate and forward to the Department, Ottawa.—

The return of fish caught during the year, by the Fishermen named in your return,— when I come to examine the blank returns, I found they would not work to my satisfaction.—

I have therefore referred the matter back to the Department for advice, and when I receive it will fill up and make out your return and send it to you for signature.— Wishing you the compliments of season and many happy returns.— Yours Sincerely,—

John W. Kerr. F.O.

Memo:—

Sent back receipts to you this day;— for Salary quarter ending 31st December 1886.— $150.00/100

6. January 1887.— John W. Kerr. F.O.—

Also receipts for $37.90 of Balance of disbursements, as F.O.— 15. November to 2. Dec: '86.—

Hamilton, Ont.— 7. Jan: 1887. } John W. Kerr.— F.O.

For Account Branch,—
Fisheries department.—
Ottawa.— Ont.

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Hamilton! Ont.

Sir,

6. January 1887.--

I have the honor to send you Bank draft, No: 198.- for Fifteen dollars.-

Will you be pleased to have this amount, applied as license - "For to spear Herring and Pike, only in Burlington Bay, and Dundas Marsh;" - Bay! up to the 15th April next! Viz:

11. George White. Hamilton. -- paid $1.00.-
12. James Tyson. - do. - do. - " 1.00.-
13. Thomas Tyson. - " " " 1.00.
14. Ramsay Wells. - " " " 1.00.
15. J. Branson. - " " " 1.00.
16. George Hunter. - " " " 1.00.
17. William Jameson. - " " " 1.00.
18. James Jameson. - " " " 1.00.
19. John Smith. - " " " 1.00.
20. James Pett. " " " 1.00.
21. Norval Waterberry, Saltfleet, do, " 1.00.
22. Arthur Bates, do. - do. - do, " 1.00.
23. Hiram Kinsada, Barton, do, do. " 1.00.
24. F. H. Corey. - Saltfleet, do. - do. " 1.00.
25. Thomas Jones. Saltfleet. - do. - do. " 1.00.

Total, $ 15.00.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa! Ont.

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Hamilton! Ont.

6. January 1887. --

Sir:

I have the honor to send you Cheque for No: 19 $. for Fifteen dollars. --

Will you be pleased to have this amount applied as license - "for to open Morning our Gate, only in Bankington Bay, near Hamilton Wharf" -

Say! up to the 15th April next. Yours:

11. George White. Hamilton. - - Paid $ 1.00 -
12. James Higdon. - do. - do. " 1.00.
13. Thomas Higdon. - " " 1.00.
14. Thomas Wells. - " " 1.00.
15. J. Brown. - " " 1.00.
16. George Hunter. - " " 1.00.
17. William Jameson. - " " 1.00.
18. James Jameson. - " " 1.00.
19. John Smith. - " " 1.00.
20. James Orth. " " 1.00.
21. Horace Waterbury, Gallipolis, do. " 1.00.
22. Arthur Oates. do. - do. - do. " 1.00.
23. Irwin Chisholm, Bronte. do. do. " 1.00.
24. Ch. Berry - Gallipolis. do. - do. " 1.00.
25. Thomas Jones. Gallipolis. - do. - do. " 1.00.

Total $ 15.00

The Deputy Minister.
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa! Ont.

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In submitting to the Department the above $15.00 for spearing licenses; I am requested by old spears of fish, residents all their lives long, on B. Bay, and Dundas Marsh, to say! that depriving them to spear Bass,- is cruel! and not what they; as loyal subjects, expected would be imposed on them by the Fisheries Department. —

To abstain from spearing a Bass, while perhaps, hundreds are on the move beneath the fish house, and look on and wait for a Pike to come along; is too tempting for a fisherman! "Flesh and blood, "cannot resist the temptation of spearing bass in "such a case."- I might say! lead us not,- (fisherman) into temptation!!. —

I crave in behalf of these spearing people, that you will be pleased to reconsider your Order, and permit bass to be speared for the balance of the period fixed for Pike and Herring!- To prevent a certain class of spearing fishermen, from spearing bass,- from 1st January, to the 15th April! and then issue your "close season" notice for Bass! from 15th April to the 15th of June next! makes it good for Bass, in Burlington Bay, and Dundas Marsh!— A place literally swarming with these fish. —

At this season of the year, is the only time

In submitting to the Department the above £15 00 for opening licence; I am requested by the opposers of fish, residents all their lives long, on Q. Island Numbers allowed, to say: that depriving them to open Bass, is cruel! Just not what they as legal subjects, appreciate would be imposed on them by the Fishing Department. —

In asking from opening a Bass, with the permission, we are the more benefit the fish trade, but left on our want for a Bite to come along; is the hunting for a fishermen! "Let our lives, "cannot resist the temptation of opening bass in "Quel a Bass." I might say! Let us not (fishermen) into temptation!!. —

I move in behalf of this opening people, that you may be pleased to reconsider your decay, and permit bass to be opened for the ad= vance of the period prior for Bite our fishing! — To prevent a certain class of opening fishermen, you opening bass, from 1st January, to the 15th April! Just then allow your "Close season" notice for Bass! From 15th April to the 15th of June next! which is good for Bass, in Quan= tity for, not Numbers allowed! — It please the only knowing with these fish. —

At this season of the year, is the only time

Bass are good food.— "In summer they are filled with live worms and unfit for food".— I will endeavour to carry out your Order!—

Please ask Mr. Bassett, a person experienced in all kinds of fishing from reports and personal observation of more than 30 years!— What his views are on bass being separated from Herring, and pike on the spearing grounds of B. Bay!— V.

As for Herring! none have been speared since I made my application for spearing on 13th November.— Hamilton Tradesmen out of employment, and poor men with no employment, having families, always spear at this season of the year, which may — earn $1.00 a day, if permitted to spear bass.—

I, your Office hold myself responsible to you, and the Department, for the entire truth and correctness of my assertions! you need never be afraid that in my reports or recommendations I will ever attempt to mislead you! personally I am not interested except for the honor and integrity of the fisheries department! whose faithful public servant, I am! by soothing discontent in this Bass business.—

With due respect, I have the Honor to be,

Sir,—

Your Obedient Servant,

John W. Kew F.O.

3.

Times are poor poor. — Do summer that are filled with his worms and unfit for food? —

I humble endeavour to carry out your order! —

There can be therefore a person experienced in all kinds of fishing from Coports and personal observation of more than 30 years. — What his views are on these being separated from Planning, and fully on the planning grounds of C. Bay. — I.

Ill for planning! more than from appeared since I made my application for planning on 13th November — Hamilton Gleaseman out of employment, and two men with no employment, having families, change appear at this season of the year, when they — have $1,000 or any, if permitted to appear here. —

I, your Officer, feel myself responsible to you, and the Department, for the entire truth and correctness of my assertions! You must never to appear that in my reports or recommendations I make ever attempt to mislead you! personally I am not interested except for the honor and integrity of the fishing department! unless faithful = ful public servant I am! I my knowledge there = fact in this three instances. —

Hoping due respect, I have the honor to be,

Sir. —

Your obedient servant,

Matthew Mitchell. C.O.

Private!

Memo: for S. P. Bennett Esqre Fisheries department, Ottawa; Ont.—

I send you a blank, of the description I received from the department, to be filled up for year ending 31st of December 1886,— of all fish caught by licensed fishermen, Boats and Nets in in catching them, &c. &c. &c.—

So far as the "Name of Station",— is concerned that may be all right enough with regard to [illegible] d Nets,— in the County of Elgin; but it is impressed on my mind that the names of licensed fishermen should be also given; as a check: Boat licenses, have no regular stations.— Will you be pleased to give me your advice in this matter.—

The spearers on B. bay, have commenced to raise a fuss, because bass is not allowed to be speared this year; (only Herring and Pike,). I wrote the Hon Minister, of fisheries on the subject, on yester- soon after I done so, I received a private letter from F. E. Kilvert, Esqre M. P. for Hamilton, thus:

Private! My dear Kew.— Hamilton, 6. Jan: 1887.—

A large deputation of spearers from the Bay called upon me this morning in re- gards to their privileges under their licenses.—

And I would like to see you the first time, you are in the City about them.—

J. W. Kew, Esqre Yours truly,—
Fishery Inspector, F. E. Kilvert.—
Hamilton,— Ont.—

My own impression is, this order should be reconsidered, especially,— during these exciting times: my recommendation of 13th November last; ought to have been adhered to; 5. 15. "Close season",— for Bass in B. bay, is not necessary.— Yours Respectfully —
Hamilton, 7. January 1887.— John W. Kew. F. I.—

Private!

Ottawa: Jan. 6th. Thomas Ryan Esq.ᵉ Fisheries Department.

Ottawa: Sat.—

I send you a blank of the description I receive from the Department to be filled up for you during 3rd of December 1886.— of all fish caught by licensed fishermen, boats and nets in catching them. &c. &c. &c.—

As for us the "Time of detention" is concerned that may be all right enough with regard to C & A etc.— in the County of Elgin: but it is impressed on my mind that the means of licensed fishermen should be also given: as a check: that licensees have no regular stations.— While you be pleased to give me your advice in this matter.—

The officers on St. Lawr. have commenced to issue a few licenses here is not allowed to be opened this year. (Early closing act Oct.). I write the Hy Minister of Fisheries on the subject on Friday from after I leave Ottawa I remain a faithful servant

Thos. Ryan Esq.ᵉ Hamilton, Ont.

Private! Hy. Ottawa Hon.— Hamilton 6 Jan: 1887.—

A large deputation of operators

(on the Lawr. called upon me this morning re licenses to this privileges under this licenses.—

Dear I would like to see you the first time you are in the City about them.—

Y. M. Hon. Esq.ᵉ Yours truly.—

Fishery Inspector, Ont. Hamilton.—

Hamilton.— Jan.—

My own impression is, this year should be less liberal, respectfully—during these depressing times: my recommendation of 15 ᵖᵗ. throughout last year ought to have weighed to 15 ᵖᵗ. "Close season" for bass in St. Lawr. is not necessary.— Yours respectfully—

Hamilton, 7. January 1887.— Ontario.— Ont.—

Mr Frank Reid, Hamilton! Ont.
Mrs Charlotte Reid! { 8. January 1887.-
Clarkson, P.office.}

My Friends! - Out of one trouble than in to another. -- It appears now, that you actually owe the Executors of the late Thomas Slades bill; One years rent of the farm! which must be paid! -

Your late sister Francis! Mrs Revill Children is entitled to their mothers share of this rent; you Mrs Reid - is entitled to your share; but the balance has to be paid at once! - mind now dont forget what I am telling you!! -

I saw Mr Washington on yesterday, and he read over and handed me the Judges decision in your late trial at Brampton. -- For my part I am hardly able to walk and although surrounded with my own business, I will endeavour to come to Port Credit by 1. 23. p. m. Train on next tuesday, so as to talk matters over with you and Mr Henry Clarkson, Executor! -

Mr Milligan, - brother of the deceased Mr Milligan - has taken his brothers place in the Law firm - at Brampton, - so that you must now understand this rent has to be paid; and no humbug about it. And no Lawsuit neither. --- Square off your lawful debts and liabilities. - Turn over to a new leaf, and begin with this new year, an honest, upright; and sober life.

This is my candid advice to you, one and all. --- Mr Washington and I discussed matters, and he advised me to come down and see you; I consented to come although only able to Creep! See Mr Clarkson and have him at Blakely's on tuesday, when I get there. --- With my kind regards to all, believe me as usual, Yours truly. -

John Wilson. -

P.S. I advise you to run no more debts! -

John Wilson. -

سید علی المتوسل محمد احمد ؛ —

علی علی ؛ — محمد ہے کہ عبد محمد علی
نظام ۔ محمد علی نے فرمانے ہوئے ہیں
کہ جو شخص ۔ محمد علی ۔ کے ہاتھ بیعت
کرے ۔ محمد علی ۔ کے ہاتھ پر

Hamilton, Ont. —
8. January 1887.—

Sir. —

I send you herewith, Bank draft No: 103, for the sum of Ten dollars. —

Will you be pleased to apply this amount license fee, granted to Joseph Gabriel Sr and son, for to fish a Machine in the Niagara River at Lucaston Heights during the year 1886. — The license has already been received and delivered. — —

I beg to report in connection with Joseph Gabriel, Sr, that owing to a very serious accident that befel him in the year 1885, — by falling off his Barn, seriously cutting his head; bruising and damaging him severely otherwise; incurring a large sum for Medical Attendance; — The consequence was: that neither Mr Gabriel, nor his son were able to pay their license fee, — for year 1885, and as they have always been good and regular payers — heretofore, Under the Circumstance of the sad accident, I recommend that you will be pleased to allow Joseph Gabriel Sr and son, — to go free for the year 1885. — The fact of the matter is, — they were not able to pay, — from the serious cause stated above. — I recommend the same for your consideration. —

I have the Honor to be,
Sir, —
Your Obedient Servant, —
John W. Kerr. —
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

Hamilton, Bath. —

8. January 1887. —

Sir. —

I have your Hamilton, Bath draft No: 103, for the sum of Ten dollars. —

Will you be pleased to apply this amount, being fee granted to Joseph Pedrick Esq. and son, for to pick a allowance in the Pictorial Times at Chesterfield during the year 1886. — The same has already been received and delivered. — —

I beg to report in connection with Joseph Pedrick, that owing to poor health he resided that lapse time in the year 1886, by falling off his Horse, resulting cutting his head; bruising and damaging his generally otherwise; incurring a large sum for medical attendance. — The consequence was: that neither Pedrick, nor his son were able to pay their fees for year 1886, and as they have ever been good and regular payers — therefore, under the circumstances of the case respectfully I recommend that you will be pleased to allow Joseph Pedrick Esq. and son — to go free for the year 1886. — The fact of the matter is, they were not able to pay. Now the various cause stated above. — I recommend the case for your consideration. —

I have the honor to be,

&c. —

Your Obedient Servant. —

Chas. Hamilton.

Thinking Reader.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa. &c.

Hamilton: Ont.—

Sir.— 8. January 1887.—

I submit in duplicate receipts from Messrs. Pollard, and Miller:— Barristers at Meaford: amounting to the sum of "Fifteen dollars,— for professional Services rendered by your Order in the prosecution of G. P. McIntosh, fish dealer at Meaford: convicted and fined by Squire Stewart of that Town on the 1st of December 1886,— "For a contravention of the Fisheries Act;" already reported to you.—

As the amount charged is moderate, I respectfully recommend that the same be paid at once.—

With due respect.—

I Have the Honor to be,

Sir:—

Your Obedient Servant,—

John W. Kerr.—

Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister.

Department of Fisheries,—

Ottawa, Ont.—

Hamilton, Ont.,

Sir,— 8. January 1887.—

I submit in duplicate receipts from Hilly & Gilbert, and others,— Barristers at Hamilton: amounting to the sum of Eighteen dollars,— for professional services rendered by your firm in the prosecution of Mr. Gilchrist's fish claim at Hamilton: I omitted sooner given by reason of the Act of the Dominion of Canada 1886,— for a statement of the Fisheries Act; which only reached me.—

As the amount charged is moderate, I respectfully recommend that the same be paid at once.—

With due respect.—

I have the honor to be,

Sir,—

Your obedient servant,—

Hamilton.—

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,—
Ottawa, Ont.—

Fishery Officer.

Mems: for S. P. Rouset Esqre
Fisheries Department,
Ottawa; Ont. —

On yesterday afternoon, after I mailed your letter, I saw Mr. F. E. Kilvert, M. P. — and we talked over — "Fishery License for Spearing" — Herring and Pike only! — in Burlington Bay, and Dundas Marsh in early part of year 1887. —

Mr. Kilvert said he would write the Deputy, — you likely will have his letter before you now. — I omitted to write you that on X^mas^ day, — I had a bad fall, and came next door to breaking my right thigh — but thank God it did not happen! my right knee and the cup or cap of my knee caught it, — I am now getting well again! will send you particulars next time I write. — I send Collard and Millers a/c^ts^ receipted in duplicate today. —

8. Jan: 1887 Yours respectfully,
Hamilton, Ont. John Wiker Jr.

Capt. John Ellison Jr.
Pt. Stanley.

Hamilton! Ont,
13. January 1887. —

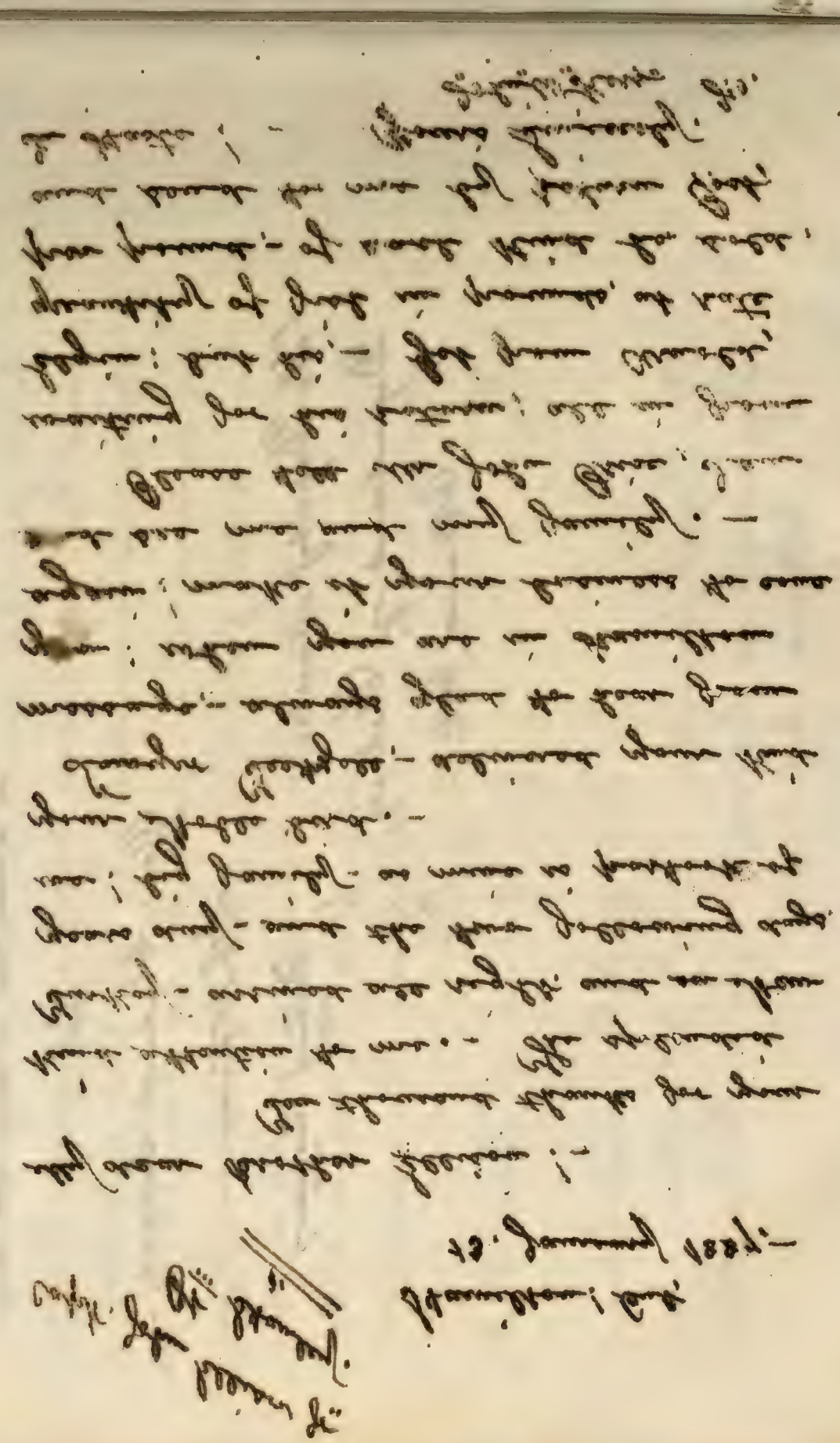
My dear Brother Ellison! —

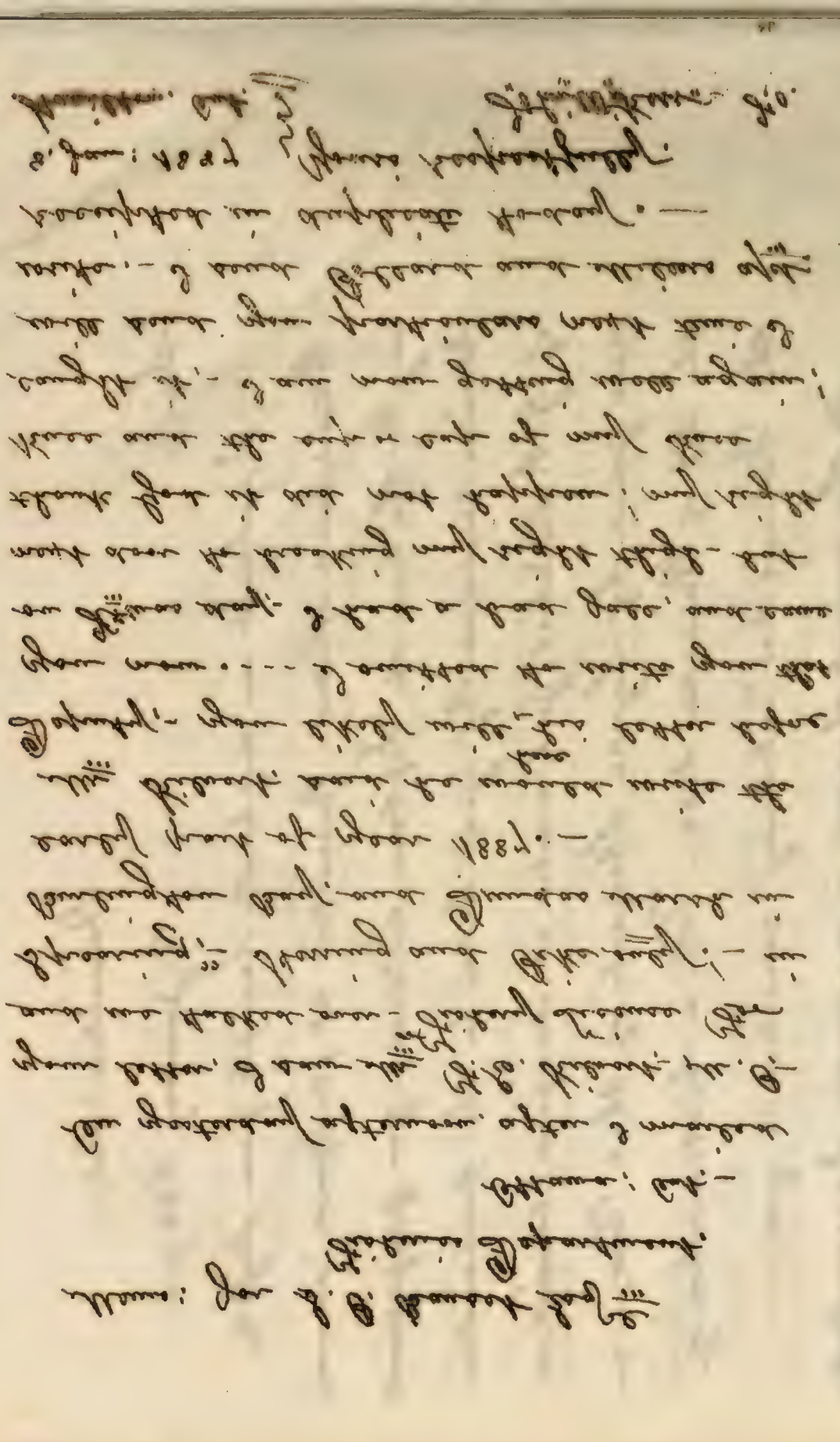
Ten thousand thanks for your kind attention to me. — The splendid Turkey — arrived all right, and on New years day — and the two following days was! big family — as mine is partook of your Noble bird. —

Lawyer Teetzell, — delivered your kind message, — always glad to hear from you: when you are in Hamilton again; make it your business to come and see me and my family. —

Please tell Mr John Price, I am waiting for his returns; all in from Elgin; but his, — Get from Arnold, quantity of fish in pounds, at rate per pound, — of each kind he sold, and send to me by return Post, In Haste! — Yours Sincerely,
John Wiker Jr.

Wrote Sunday, 19. Jany 1887. —





Hamilton, Ont.

Sir,— 12th January 1887.—

I have the honor to send you herewith, Bank draft, No; for the sum of Seventeen dollars.— Will you be pleased to apply this amount, for license to spear "Herring and Pike only"— in the public waters of Burlington Bay, and Dundas Marsh! except on the Bass beds!! as no Bass of any Kind are permitted therein! to be speared! from the 25th of November, 1886, to the 15th day of April 1887.— Thus!—

1. David Corey,	Burlington Beach;	$1.00.—
2. Samuel Mitchelly,	Hamilton;	1.00.—
3. Jerry Hudson, —	do. —	1.00.—
4. Hiram Yakes,	Flamboro East. —	1.00.—
5. Edward Frank, —	Hamilton. —	1.00.—
6. George Hunt,	Burlington! —	1.00.—
7. Lewis Hopkins,	do.	1.00.—
8. Henry Bauden,	Hamilton. —	1.00.—
9. William Hamilton, —	do. —	1.00.—
10. Bristol Barber, —	do. —	1.00.—
11. Thomas Peckham. —	do. —	1.00.—
12. Henry Lage. —	do. —	1.00.—
13. Wm Hewson. —	do. —	1.00.—
		$13.00

The Deputy Minister, The Department of Fisheries, Crozier Block, Ottawa! Ont.—

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Hamilton, Ont.

12th January 1887. –

Dear Sir,

I have the honor to send you herewith, South Kent, etc; for the sum of Twenty dollars. – While you be pleased to apply the amount for licence to open Planing mill "Tile only" in the public market of Bowling Green, our Hamilton Market! except on the days, here! No one – than of our Fleet are permitted to be opened! Given the 26th of November 1886, to the 15th day of April 1887. – – – Thus:–

1. Thomas Leary, Bowling Green Market;		$1.00.–
2. Samuel Litchfield, Hamilton;		$1.00.–
3. Jerry Hudson, –	do. –	$1.00.–
4. Hiram Hatter, Hamilton Fleet. – –		$1.00.–
5. Samuel Hunt, – – Hamilton. –		$1.00.–
6. George Hunt, Bowling Green. –		$1.00.–
7. Simon Hopkins,	do.	$1.00.–
8. Thomas Bourden, Hamilton. –		$1.00.–
9. William Hamilton, –	do. –	$1.00.–
10. Donald Gordon –	do. –	$1.00.–
11. Thomas Gallien. –	do. –	$1.00.–
12. Thomas Hodge. –	do. –	$1.00.–
13. Wm Hewson. –	do. –	$1.00.–

Yours, etc.

Hamilton, Ont.

	Brought over,	$13.00
14.	Joseph Smith, Hamilton. —	" 1.00. —
15.	Wm. Johnston. — do. —	" 1.00. —
16.	Wm. Fitch. — do. —	" 1.00. —
17.	Daniel McGoyne, Burlington Bch.	1.00.
	Total. —	$17.00

In submitting this amount, in case the spearing of Bass is not cancelled I will you be pleased to send me the Order in Council as I may have to prosecute some person for having speared Bass in his possession in contravention of the Fisheries Act. ...

I Have the Honor to be,
Sir, —
Your Obedient Servant. —
John Wiker —
Fishery Overseer.

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Brought Over, $13.00 –

14. Joseph Smith, Admission — " 1.00 –

15. Mrs Johnston — do — " 1.00 –

16. Mrs Pitch — do — " 1.00 –

17. Samuel Hoffman, Admission Fee 1.00

Total — $17.00 –

In submitting this account, in case the opening of Bees is not considered, I wish it to be placed to our credit as the Bees cost us $ and as I may have to provide some person for having charge of Bees in his possession in Southampton of the Children dat —

I have the Honor to be

&c —

Your Obedient Servant —

Philip Hewes —

Finance Committee

Memo;

I send your receipts from G. H. Corey, — in duplicate, [illegible] 450, — signed in my presence, [illegible] the 10th January, instant. —

John W. Kerr, G. O.

Hamilton, Ont.

12, January 1887. —

Memo; —

I send you my receipts in duplicate for $129.85¢, being for Disbursements for quarter ending 31st day of January 1887. —

John W. Kerr, G. O.

Hamilton. —

12, January 1887.

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Private!

Memorandum for L. P. Bousthey,
Fisheries Department,
Ottawa, Ont.—

Your Memo; on spearing and not spearing Bass,—in Burlington Bay and Dundas Marsh—is received!

"Herring and Pike only,"—being the order of the day! except at a distance I have not seen F. E. Kilbert M. P.—since your Memo; arrived!! you know my mind on double dealers!!

Up to the present, I have collected and sent the Department $42.00 for licenses to spear Pike and Herring, &c. There are about 80 Spearing Houses on the Bay at present, they will all pay up their dollar after a little, and these are the poor people F. E. Kilbert and Dr. Mallock, of the Game Club, (Mallock is J. M. Gibsons brotherinlaw—grit, grit, grit,) have deprived of the privilege of spearing Bass, in certain parts of Burlington

1.

Bay, &c.—even altho! the local fishery officer, submitted and recommended the application of the spearers—on the 13th November last. And beside my reputation has again and again been called into act.—and I have been stigmatised as the author of the Temp. Action Order! not to spear Bass.———

I send you "Daily British Columbian"—paper from New Westminster, of the 5th instant; received by me here on yesterday! so that you may see what our enterprising Fish dealer, D. W. Port, of Toronto! is doing on the Bank of the Fraser River! the Article in this paper, speaks out for itself! and you should have it.——

Mr. John Bolton, of Niagara—fisherman, not having the fear of God before his eyes, and not a particle of the milk of human kindness in his heart, nor no sympathy for Elliott, the maniac, has applied, for a portion of Mrs Jane

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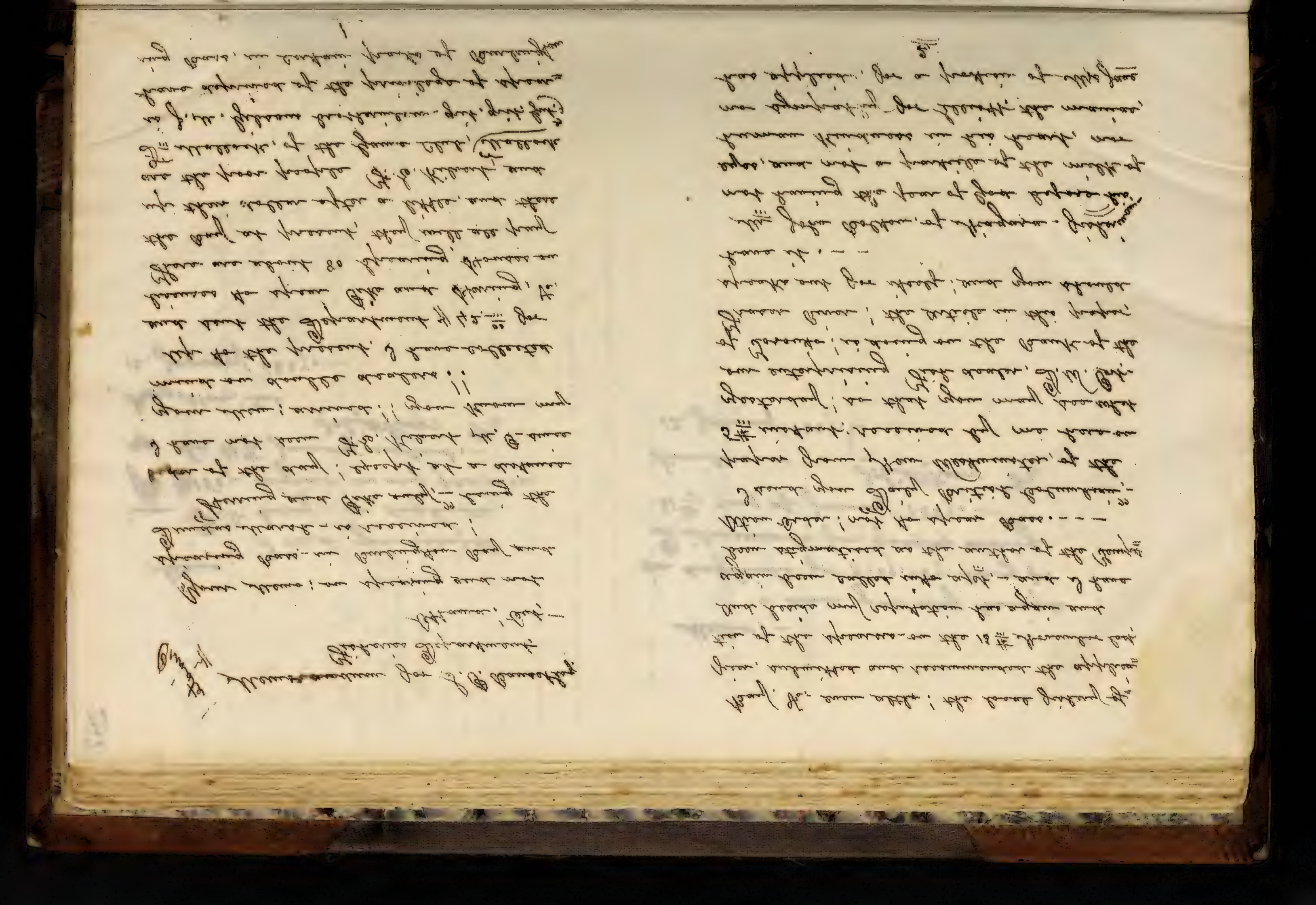


Elliots - fishing ground in the Niagara River: - the fishing grounds, the Elliots, have occupied and paid the annual license fee on, up to the present time, as long as licenses for fishing have been paid: - I believe you should stamp Bolton out, - just as you have done with Cantwell, who got so angry and engaged with his Clergyman, at Niagara, because he did get me reprimanded on this same fishery in the Niagara River! which Bolton, applies for now; given to him: that he never went to Church, mass, nor meeting since. . . . Officially, I send you application from Bolton, this day, - Mrs Elliots, house and premises, is situated in front of a portion of the fisheries - applied for by Bolton! and so is Cantwell and so is Bolton; but this, would not justify me to recommend any change as against the present license Mrs Jane Elliot, besides it is unusually for

Bolton, fined too during the past year, for a Contravention of the Fishery Act: in fishing Gill Nets, please refer to my report of the 5, May 1886. —

It is good for me: that Dr Mallaste, sweet lips! cannot allie himself - with Bolton and Cantwell! for then we should have Hell upon Earth! - I shall be glad to hail the day when my recommendation for Bass spearing shall not be set aside: and the recommendation of the Game club, of Hamilton, adopted instead. —

Personally, - I keep aloof of them, who own not a foot of land outside, of Hamilton: The Game Club! -

It is only a short time ago, I had to aid and assist John Bolton, with his fishery at the 2 - Niagara! but I cannot recommend his present application. -

With my sincere and warm regards,

Yours respectfully. —

John Wise

Hamilton, Ont.
14. Jany 1887.

F.O.

Illinois fishing grounds in the Michigan
Lines: — the fishing grounds, the Illinois,
have encroached and gone the annual
licenses go on, up to the present time, as
long as licenses for fishing have been
given: — I believe you should stand
bottom out — just as you have done
with Hawthorne, who got so angry out
because he did not get the appointment and
because he did not get me appointed in the
place fishing in the Michigan lines!
which bottom, apply for now; given to
him! that is now left to school mass
for meeting time. — Officially I have
your application from Bottom, this day.
Cortis is anxious and premises as Illinois
on front of a portion of the fishing —
application for Bottom! and so is Hawthorne
well and so is Bottom; but this would
not justify me in recommending change
as you have stated, the present licenses this
year Illinois decision it is unnecessary for

Bottom, first to running the part
year, for a continuation of the Illinois
lot: in fishing of the north, please refer
to my report of the 5th May 1886. —

It is good for me: that the Illinoisth must
live! I cannot allow himself with Bottom and
Hawthorne! for then the should have all
upon North! — I should be glad to have
the long when my recommendation for the
licensing should not be set aside: and
the recommendation of the Iowa club
of Hamilton, adopted instead. —

Personally I keep aloof of either
who are not a part of land authority
of Hamilton: The Iowa club! —

It is only a short time ago, I had to
cut out Lewis John Bottom with his girl
just at the L — Michigan! but I cannot
recommend the present application. —

With my business and warm regards
Yours respectfully. —

Hamilton, Ont.
14. June 1887.

Hamilton

Hamilton! Ont.
14. January 1887.--

Sir,-

I am in receipt of an application for a seine hauling ground in the Niagara River, in front of his property for this current year!- hoping you will send in my application as soon as you can make it convenient.--

Such is the contents of a letter, I received on yesterday, dated the 12th instant, from Mr John Bolton, of Niagara.- I cannot recommend the application for the very simple reason that on the 4th instant, I recommended that Mrs Jane Elliott, of Niagara should receive a licensia of the ground,- from the fact, that for upwards of 50 years, the Elliott family, have been in continual possession of the fishing ground; now applied for by Bolton.--

And for 21 years- I have been in charge at Niagara! as local fishery Overseer, the Elliotts have always been punctual in paying annually their license fees! last year Mrs Elliott, paid 20 the highest fee paid in Niagara!-

Mrs Jane Elliotts husband! is a raving maniac herself and family have the kind sympathy of the public- except a couple of heartless people who covet their fishing ground.- As fishery Overseer of Niagara River, for reasons set forth above; I cannot recommend Mr John Bolton for the fishery in this instance! last year he fished on Sunday, and was fined for it; see my report of 5 May 1886.

Respectfully Submitted!-

John W. Kerr
Fishery Overseer

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.

Sir, — 14. January 1887. —

I am in receipt of an application for a clam fishing license in the Grand River, in front of this property for this current year; hoping you will send in your application as soon as you can make it convenient. — —

Such is the contents of a letter I received on yesterday, dated the 12th instant, from the Collector of Fisheries. — I cannot recommend the application for the very simple reason that on the 4th instant I recommended that the Jane Allitt of Fisheries should receive a license of the ground. — From the fact that for upwards of 50 years, the Allitt family have been in continued possession of the fishing ground; now applied for by Mr Dalton. —

But for 21 years I have been in charge at Fisheries; so long previous, the Allitts have always been punctual in paying annually their license fees; last year Alla Allitt paid 20 the highest fee paid in Fisheries: —

Alla Jane Allitta Inclosure; is a running alongside our family home the most importantly of the public. Except a couple of families people who first their fishing ground. The fishery business of Fisheries Hunt, for reasons set forth above; I cannot recommend Alla Dalton for the fishing in this instance; last year he fished on Sundays and was fined for it; see my report of fishery 1886.

Respectfully submitted: —

The Deputy Minister
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

Phillip Hunt
Fishery Overseer

Hamilton:- Ont:-
15. January 1887.-

Sir,-

I have the honor to send you Bank Draft, No: 234. for the sum of Twelve dollars.-

Will you be pleased to apply this amount for licenses already received and issued by your order as follows!-

1. "Thomas Joyce,- Brante: "For a license to fish two Boats, containing Herring Gill nets, in Lake Ontario: fronting on the County of Halton, for year ending 31st December 1886."- $ 10.00 c.-

2. William Whitmore, Barton! "For a license to spear Herring and Bass in the public waters of Burlington bay, and Dundas Marsh." from November 1886. to the 15. April 1887.- " 1.00 c.
- "Bass are not permitted to be speared)"-

3. "Joseph Lutz,- B. Beach: do,- do,- do,"- 1.00 c.

Total, $ 12.00 c.-

I have the Honor to be,-

Sir -

Your Obedient Servant,-

J. Hill Kerr,-
Fishery Commissioner.-

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,-
Ottawa! Ont.

Hamilton: Ont:-

Sir,- 15. January 1887.-

I have the honor to send you Bank Draft, No: 234. for the sum of Twelve dollars.-

Will you be pleased to apply this amount for Science Elementary teaching and return my receipt for same.!-

1.- Pelham Joyce.- Brants: "For a license to fish the Brants, containing Herring Lake and Lake Erie: Pending on the township of Pelham, for year ending 31st December 1886." $4.10.00¢.-

2. William Robinson, Brantford: "For a license to open Fishing net Bass in the public waters of Brantford Bay, and Brantford Harbour." Year December 1886. to the 15. April 1887.- " 1.00¢

- (Bass are not permitted to be speared)"

3. Joseph Clarke.- Co. Brant: do:- do.- do.- " 1.00¢

Total $ 12.00¢.-

I have the honor to be.-

Sir.-

Your obedient Servant.-

The Deputy Minister.
Department of Fisheries.-
Ottawa: Ont:

Fishery Overseer.-

Private!

Hamilton! - Ont, -

Mrs Jane Scott, -
Stoney Creek, Ont, -

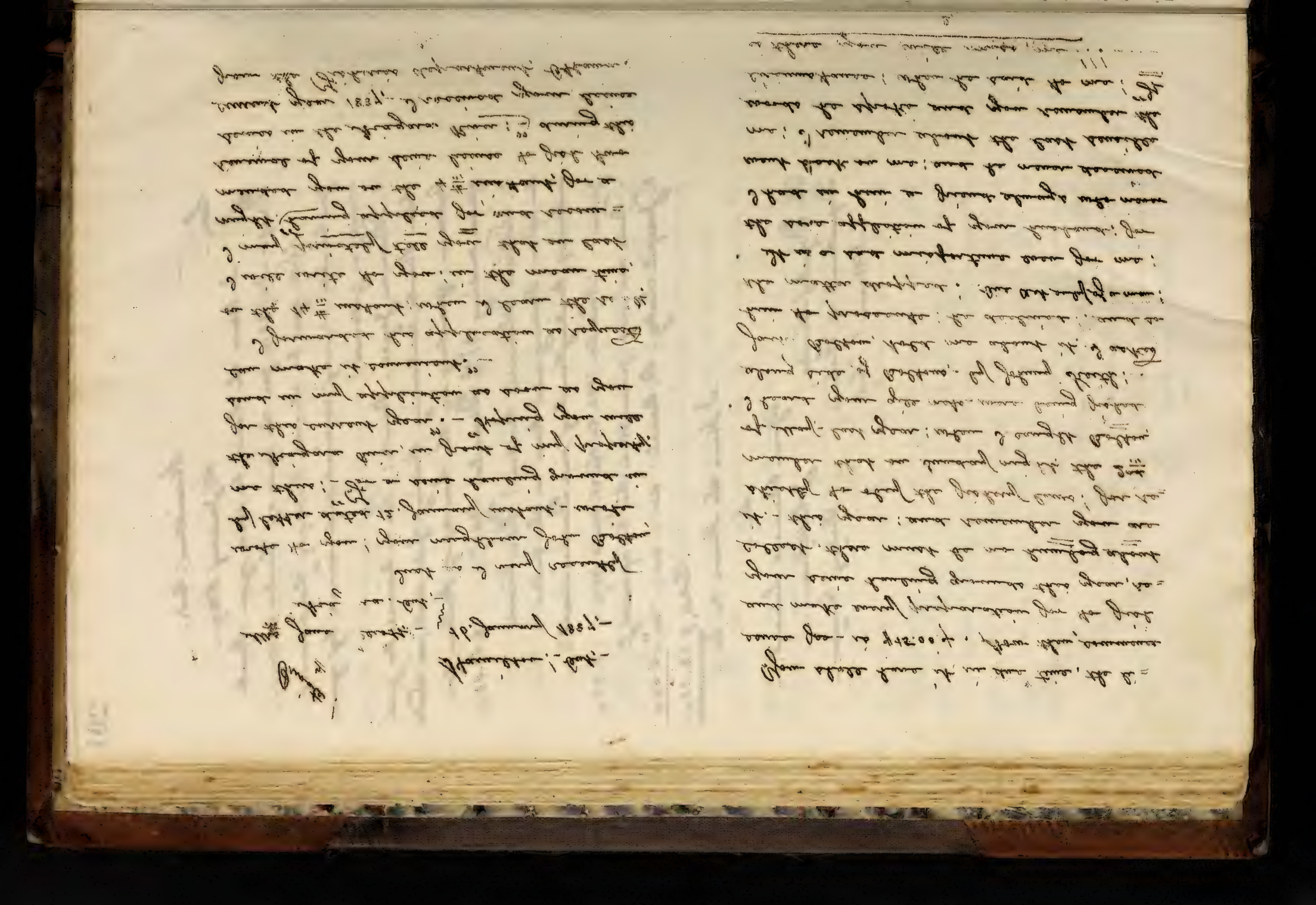
16. January 1837. -

Just as I very recently wrote to you! your neighbour John Bolton, by letter dated 12. January instant, - wrote me thus! - "For a seine hauling ground in the Niagara River, in front of my property, for this current year". - "Hoping you will hand in my application as soon as you can make it convenient." -

I forwarded his application as requested on the 14th instant; when I learn the result I will write to you; in the mean time, I may privately tell you that on last night, having applied for, and recommended you on the 4th instant, for a renewal of your seine license to fish two seines in the Niagara River;" during this current year 1837, - I received your license from the Fisheries department, Ottawa,

You shall have it in due time, the license fee - is $15.00 $. Now then, commence and make every preparation for to fish your seine hauling grounds this year, recollect, there must be no humbug about it, - this year: and remember you are strictly to obey the fishery laws! for remember that on Sunday night the 2nd of May, - last year: when I caught Bolton, I heard your gill nets - were being fished along side of Boltons, - by Johnny Keith: Jno. Bolton, told me about it. I asked him to prosecute; he declined it, and so the matter dropped: But that only of a man!

It is a sad misfortune even for me; the sore affliction of your husband; for I had in him a friend always who never went back on me: and he never deserted me; I remember about the last sensible words he spoke and you remember the circumstance; when he said to me! "It is there you will miss me!!!



Our Falcons! he never spoke these words: — I miss him all the time. — Your return of fish caught during last year is incorrect! — I have not got Bolton nor Bishop: yet! — Remember you must protect your fishing grounds this year, and keep away trespassers off your grounds. —

You say: "It was not out of any disrespect that I did not go to St Catherines. I could not go, for there would be so many remarks passed!" — I am perfectly satisfied, I fight your battles and protect you from the attacks of two men who are not possessed of a particle of the milk of human kindness. I have no sympathy for you nor yours: and for doing so, a most unmerciful, and malicious attack was made against me: simply because I would not be a party to assist them to rob you and your children of their birth right. — I dont think you should pay any attention to liars and slanderers.

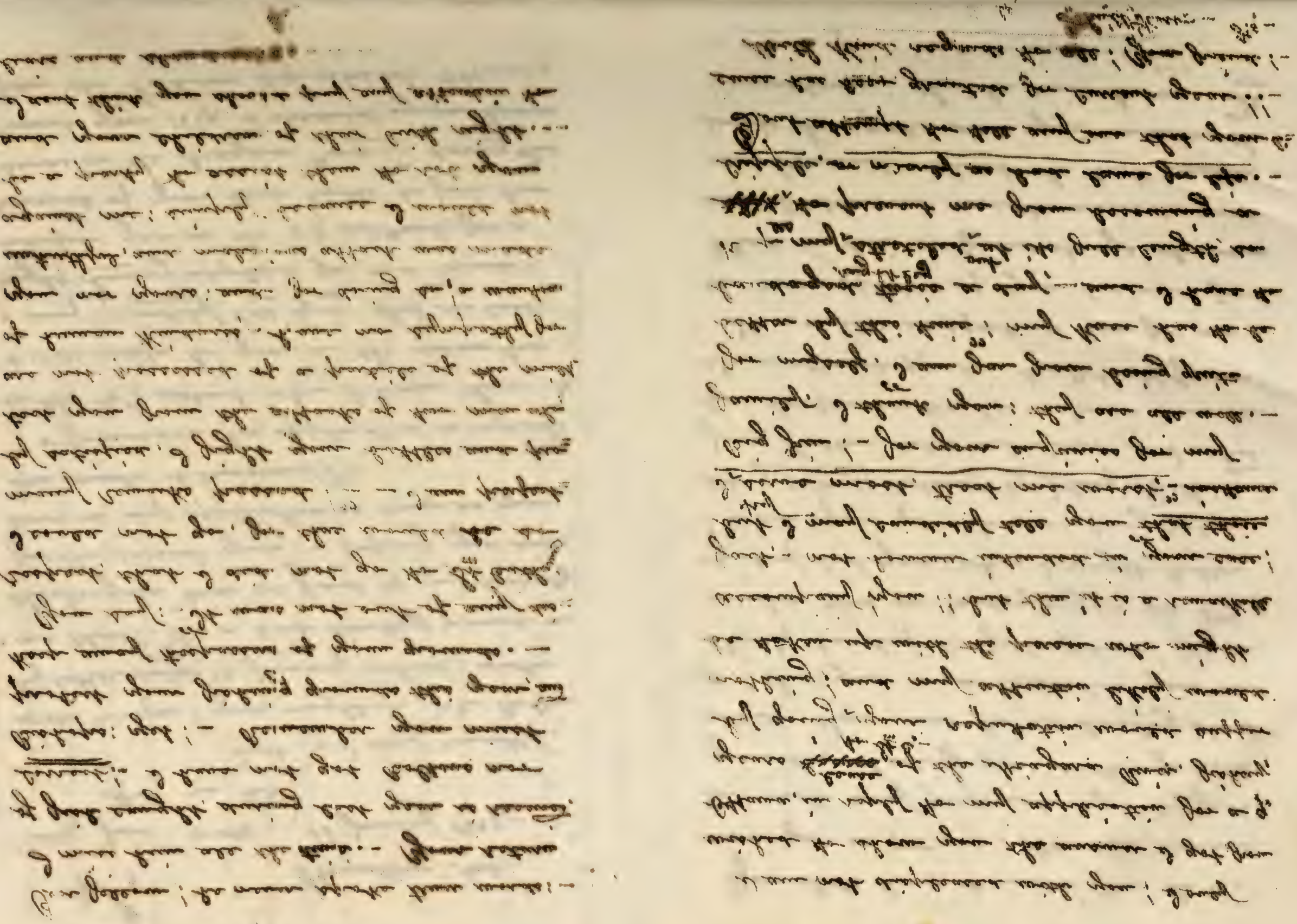
I am not displeased with you; I only wished to show you the answer I got from Ottawa, in reply to my application for a 9 years lease of the Niagara River fishery, by going to St C. — your reputation would suffer nothing; and my attention likely would be taken up with the person who might accompany you!! but then it is a remarkable fact, not however intended in your case; but I may candidly tell you "that those they serve most, treat me worst." — I remain

Big Jim! — For your enquiries for my family, I thank you; they are all well. — For myself, "I am for from being quite better by this time"; my knee has to be bandaged twice a day, — and I have to keep my right leg stretched out at its full length, so as to prevent me from becoming a cripple, or nearly so bad lame for life. —

Dont attempt to tell any one that your license has been granted for current year!! —

With kind regards to all! Your friend! —

Neill McKay — M.C. —



Mr. Albert Rall,

Niagara! E

My dear Albert! — —

Some days ago, I applied to Messrs John and Charles Robson, and Rob Bishop, for their annual returns, but I have not got them yet! —

Will you be pleased to see them for me at once, and let them send me returns immediately. — —

And please go and see Uncle John, and get his Return of all different kinds of fish, taught during the year in pounds weight, and at what rate each kind was sold at per pound. —

The length and value of his seine —

The number of yards of fish nets, Boats, &c, and their value.

Please do this for me at once, and when the Boat is shipped, telegraph me, Box 170, Hamilton. I will do the decent thing for you, when I come down [illegible]

Blank Jones! —

Messrs John Raynor,
" — Robson!
Fishermen, —
Care of Albert Davey Esq, Niagara,
Ont

Mailed on the
17. January 1887.

Blank Jones!

Isaac Michener Esq
Post Master,
Lower Banks, —
On Lake Erie!
Ont

Mailed on the
17. January 1887.

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Hamilton, Ont.
17. January 1887.—

Mr. Michener.—

I send you 2 Blank forms today,— One for you and the other for Mr. Pugh.—

Will you please fill up your returns, sign and return to me! Also! please get Mr. Richard Pugh's return filled up signed and send back with your one to me also!—

Wishing you the compliments of the season and many happy returns. Believe me!

Yours Sincerely.
John W. Kerr.
Fishery Overseer.

Isaac Michener Esq.
Post Master —
Low Banks,—
Lake Erie.

Hamilton, Ont.
17. January 1887.

My dear friends!

I send you Blank form to-day. Fill up sign and return to me at once; dont fail!!.

Give the different kinds of fish in pounds, at the rate per pound, you sold them!.— Also send me, value of your Boat, value of Seine, and length in yards.— — —

Also the number of Yards of Gill nets you have fished during the past year, and value of same.

Please attend to this immediately and return to me at once.— —

I am Gentlemen,
Yours Sincerely.—
John W. Kerr.
J. Overseer.

Messrs John Raynor,
" — Robson,
Fishermen,
Niagara, Ont.

Wiesbaden, Sonntag

12. Januar 1887.

Mein geliebtes allerliebstes.

Ich habe gar 2 Briefe heute
Morgen bekommen, die Ihr gern aus der
Hand Ihr alle Engel.

Welche Freude Ihr habt wieder
zurückkommen, dürfen aus Ihr mir! Alle!
Haben gut alle Kinder Engel. Seitdem
Ihr wieder aufgestanden und dann heute
wieder Ihr gesund bei mir alle!

Verlieren Ihr die Empfindung
die Kinder und meiner Liebe Ihr Ihr
Kinder mir!

Ihrer Unendlich
Ewig Ewigen

Ihre allerliebste Kinder
Ewig Liebende —
Ihrer Treuste —
Alle Ihre.

Wiesbaden, Sonntag

12. Januar 1887.

Mein geliebtes!

Ich habe Ihr Bleibt Ihr
so lang, Ihr wie Ihr aus Ihr Ihr
mir ist wie; Ewig Ewig !!!

Ihre die Ihr Kinder Kinder Ihr Ihr
in Frankreich, ist die Ist Ihr Frankreich,
Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr! — Ihr Ihr Ihr mir,
Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr
Ihr, Ihr Ihr in Ihr Ihr — — —

Ihr die Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr
Ihr Ihr. Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr
die Ihr Ihr, Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr.
Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr Ihr

W. B. Woolland Esqr.
Ot. Credit. & Hamilton: Ont.

17. January 1837.—

Dear Woolland!

I send you a Blank form: fill it up carefully,— and return it to me at once. — —.

Give me first your Boats, and the value of each; No: of men fishing them; Quantity of different Kinds of fish nets in fish and value of each; Hoop net. its value! —
Seine — No: of yards! value!!

And now for fish taught,

1. White fish in pounds — rate per pound,
2. Trout: ~~fish~~ in pounds — rate per pound,
3. Herring fish. in pounds, rate per pound. —
4. Herring and Ciscos smoaked, — rate per pound! —
5. Sturgeon — in pounds, rate per pounds.

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6. Bass. in pounds. rate per pound. —
7. Give me quantity caught by angles, of the different kinds of fish caught.
8. Pike in pounds. rate per pound: —
9. Cat fish — in pounds, rate per pound. —
10. Eels — do, do, do,
11. Coarse fish — suckers, mullets, &c at same rate,
12. Quantity used at home! — —

Show you have it all, and let me have return, neatly filled up by you as soon as possible. — — —

If I omitted any Kind of fish please put them in return. — — —

I left a Blank for you with Blakely, And I may tell you, that I saw 2. spearing houses up Credit River, last day — I was there, unless you wish to get fined. I. sure I you — would remove these fish spearing houses at once! — Blakely may shut his eyes — I cannot and will not do it. — Yours truly — J. W. Kerr — J.P.

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Barton! – Ont. –
Lot 6. – 4th Concession.
17. January 1887. –

My dear Doctor!

I called on Saturday last, you had gone out! My right leg and Knee are weak; I can walk about after a fashion! but was I to lay stress or weight on the right foot, down I'd fall; I speak from experience; having had one fall already. – I want something to strengthen me up! my leg swelled from the tight pressure of the bandage but is free from swelling at present. – Occasionally I feel pains going down my shin bone, and my knee pains a little sometimes, – on the whole I am getting better only it is rather slow. What do you think? why my left knee wants to come in, from weakness in the Knee, once or twice. –

Of course, I have a good deal of writing – which has to be done at this particular time of the year. –

I give the leg and Knee considerable rest, and I stretch it in full length away from me; I sleep well, and can eat my grub. For all the rest my son can tell you;

Yours Sincerely
John White

James White Esq
M.D., Surgeon, &c.
Hamilton. –

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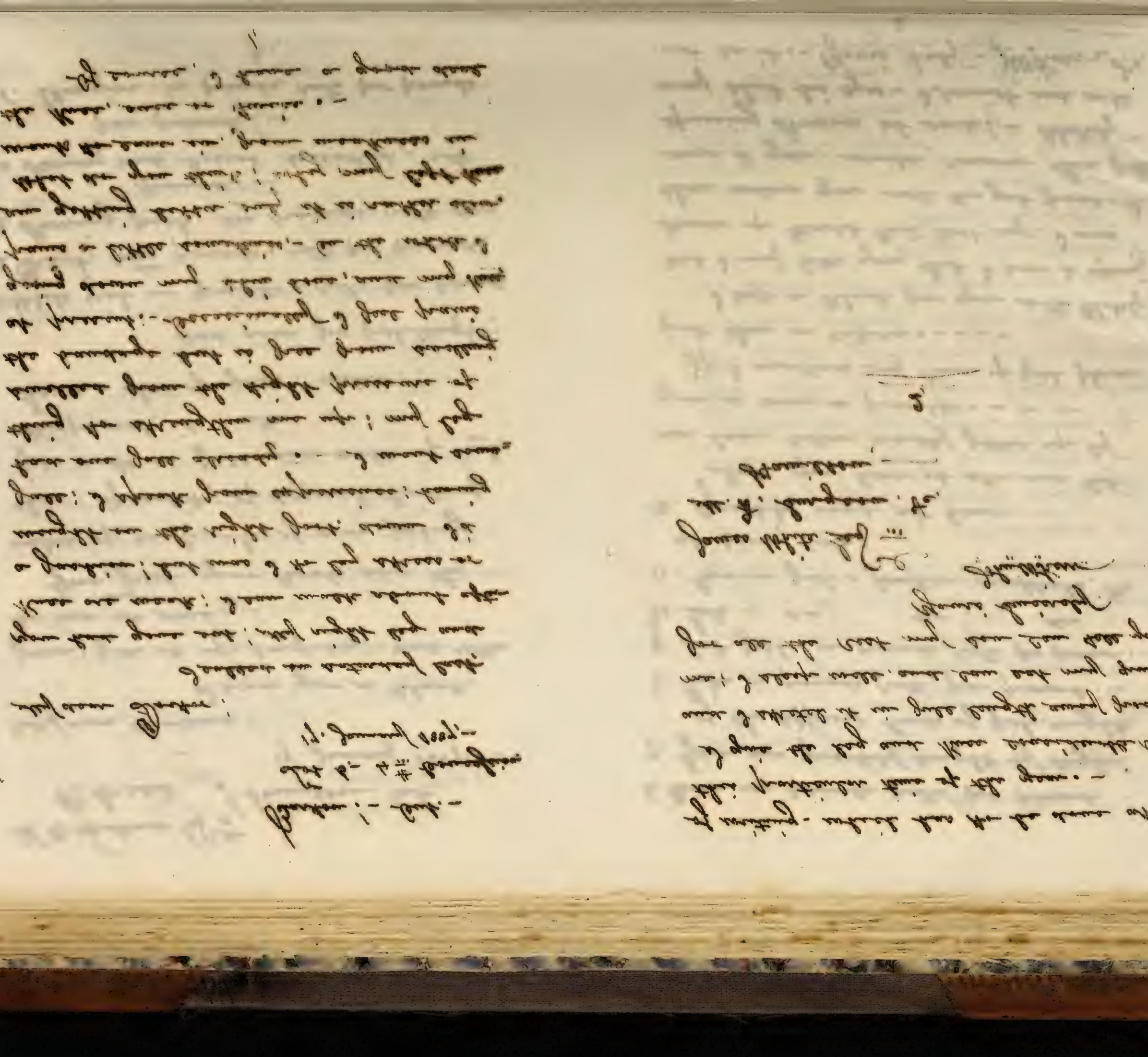

Private.

Hamilton, Ont.
19. January 1887.--

My dear Peter!

I send you herewith, your return for year 1886,- Sign at top and bottom, and send at once to the Fisheries department, Ottawa. -

You done splendid for Billy Morgan; double the vote for the Colonel; - Jas. Overholt, of Charlottesville, wrote me. I got the letter, on my return home, after I saw you at Port Dover, that he would vote for Morgan.-- I am going to Pt. Dover, on next monday, I will write Overholt - to meet me there. -- I can get him to vote for Col: Tisdale, anything else, I can do for the Colonel let me know; are the Turkey point fishermen right for the Colonel, and David Jackson, of Normandale. --

Frank Jackson, Ont. Burwell has a vote at Turkey point, write and let

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me know at once! the must fight now and win, and dont forget to do your best. - -

A change has taken place in the returns this year; I divided your Long point, division, in to two Stations; One No: 1,- is at the Cottages, for spearers; And Station No: 2. - is on the south side of the point where Sturgeon fyke nets were fished; I have kept a copy for you. -- Sign the return, read over your own remarks to me first, and send it away.

With Kind regards to you and yours and wishing you many happy returns of the season; believe me: —

Yours Sincerely. --

John Wilkes. -
F.O.

Oliver Orser Esq.re
St. Williams.
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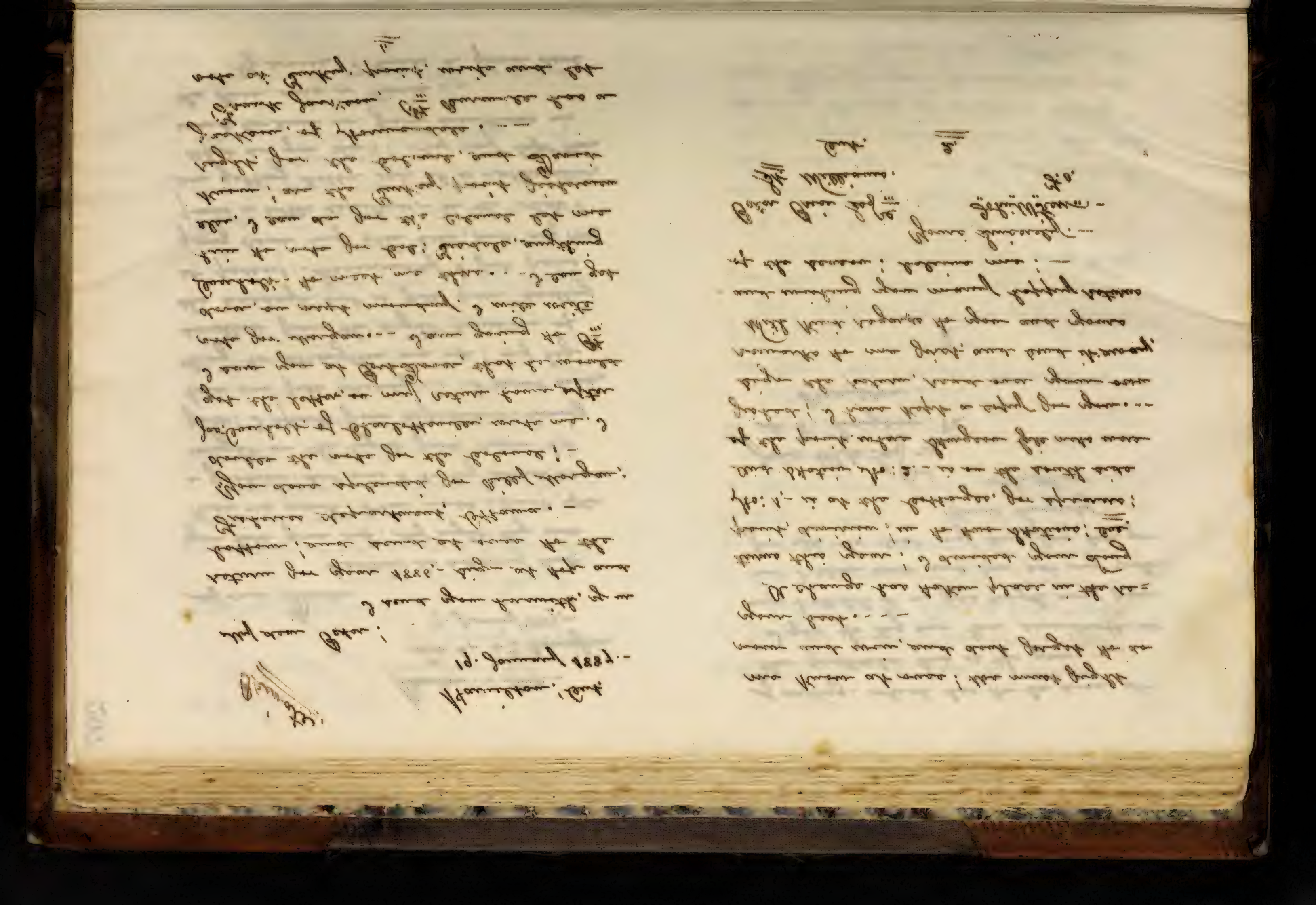

Printed paper! —

Peter Price Esqre

Fishery Commrs. —

Long point, — Lake Erie! —

St. Williams. —

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Mailed on the 19th January 1887 —

Gunjan Jaiker ;—

Qazi Qamar Ali Khan
Chairman Municipal Committee
Qasba Tarana, Malwa Zila ;—
Ujjain Mahabharat
—— —— —— Cont.

Mandsaur ka Ghar ka #12 Jamond 1881 ——

Private!

Hamilton! Ont. —

19. January 1887. —

Messrs Frank and Wm Reid, — Clarkson, Post Office, Ont.

My Friends! —

I beg to solicit your vote, and influence for Wm McCulla, the Conservative Candidate for Peel! — For Election!! — —

The Nomination will take place on the 15th February next, and the polling will take place on the 22nd of February next. — — —

The letter I received to ask you to vote! says to me "The Reids are doubtful". — I rely upon you to give this slander the lie, by voting early — for McCulla, on 22. February next. God save the Queen!!.

Yours truly, J. Hill Hill

Mrs C. Reid,
and
Mr Frank Reid,
Clarkson — P.O.

Hamilton! Ont.
19. January 1887.

My Friends! —

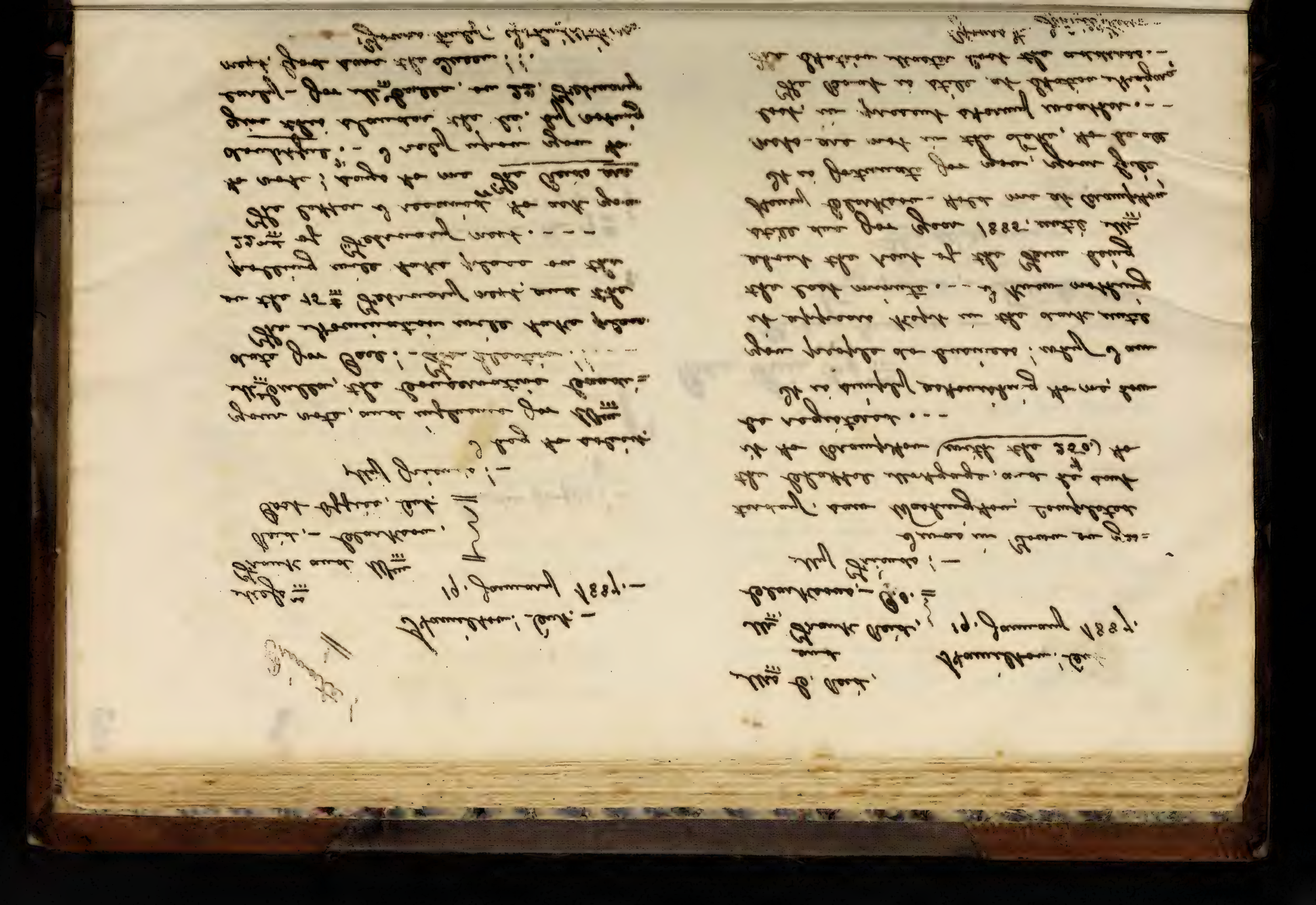
I was in Town on yesterday, saw Washington, completed the Chattel Mortgage, and he sent it to Brampton (with the 250.) to be registered. — —

It is simply astonishing to me, how you people do business! why I am it appears kept in the dark until the last minute. — I know nothing about the rent of the Farm being still due for Year 1885, until Mr Henry Clarkson told me at Brampton.

It is fortunate for you, your Gill nets are not in the Lake, to be all lost, in present stormy weather. — —

The Boat is still at Station Niagara. The Station Master lost the address. —

Yours &c. J. Hill Hill



Hamilton. Ont.
19. January 1887. —

My dear Sharp. —

Yours received, I will try and get up by the first Train — on next Monday — for Port Dover! so be sure be down at the Queens — early. —

I want to talk Election matters over with you; and other business matters! — About voters for Colonel Tisdale; at Normandale and Turkey point. — — James Cornholt votes for friend Wm Morgan Esq. M.P.P. and he will also vote for Col: Tisdale. — Send me a copy of the voters list for Charlottville. —

I am getting on nicely, thanks for your kind enquiries. —

Yours truly. —
John W. Kerr — J.P.

P.S.
The fall was a severe one, but I can still vote at Election and canvass for my friends!

Hamilton, Ont.
19. January 1887. —

My dear Cornholt, —

I intend being at the Queens, — Port Dover, on next Monday's early Train. — I would like very much to have you meet me there. — —

Yours truly, —
John W. Kerr J.P.

James Cornholt Esq.
Normandale, —
Ont.

Hari Mohan Chatterji —
Jamini Lal Pal
Gopal Chandra Chatterji
Gopal Chandra Mukhopadhyay —
Khandalam.

Hari Mohan Chatterji —
Chhanda Mandalam, 3 miles
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Gopal — Gopal Chandra Mukhopadhyay
Gopal Chandra Mukhopadhyay
Khandalam.

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Hamilton, Ont. —
19. January 1887. —

My dear Sir,

Your Post Card, received, the address — to be put on my Boat, when the weather moderates so that you can then ship her to John W. Kerr, Fishery Overseer, Port Credit, Ont. —

Care of Alexander Blakely Esqre Hotel Keeper, Pt^t Credit, Ont.

Please dont send it, until there is good weather, so that it will be sure to go forward. — — —

With many thanks for your attention! I am,

Your respectfully,
William Kerr, &c.

The Station Master,
Niagara. —
On the Lake! —

Hamilton, Sept —
19. January 1857.

My dear Sir,

Your Sept. letter, received
the evening. It is just as cool
Sept, when the weather moderates
so that you can then ship for a
Sept. W. Hem. Shipping Season.
Sept. Herald. Sept. —

Sure of Lieutenant Gilmour safely
state of Oregon. Yrs Herald Sept.

Times dont know it needs three a
good weather, so that it rests to
have it go forward. — — —
Until money thinks for your
Authority! Yours

The Boston Atlantic
Shipping Mer. —
In the state! —

Yours respectfully,
Philip Hamilton, etc.

Hamilton! Ont,-

Sir.- 22. January 1887...

I have the honor to send you Bank draft. No: 257, for the sum of Fourteen dollars.----

Will you be pleased to apply this amount as follows: viz!

1. James Jackson, and Boy.- Brouta.- "For a Boat license to fish Herring Gill nets in Lake Ontario, fronting on the County of Halton, during the year 1886." amount sent is, $5.00 c.-

2. Charles Hutchinson. Hamilton!- "For a license to spear Pike and Herring-gulf- in the Public waters of Burlington Bay, and Dundas Marsh, from the 25th of November 1886,- to the 15th April 1887."--

The amount is!- " 1.00 c.

3. James Everitt, Hamilton; "For do,- do," 1.00 "-
4. George Burwell,- do.- do.- do," 1.00 "-
5. Edward Cooper.- do.- do.- do," 1.00 "-
6. Samuel Smokes.- Flamboro! do.- do," 1.00 "-
7. Charles Least.- Hamilton! do.- do.- " 1.00 "-
8. George Kramer,- do.- do.- do. " 1.00 "-
9. Patrick O'Neil.- do.- do.- do.- " 1.00 "-
10. Albert Harris.- Saltfleet.- do.- do.- " 1.00 "-

Respectfully Submitted!!.- Total $14.00 c.-

I have the Honor to be,

Sir.-

Your Obedient Servant.-

The Deputy Minister.- John Weir.-

Department of Fisheries.- Fishery Overseer.-

Ottawa! Ont.-

Hamilton! Sept.

Sir,

22. January 1887.

I have the honor to send you herewith my a/c: 1st/. for the sum of Fourteen dollars. ----

While you be pleased to supply this amount as follows: viz:!

1. James Forbes, one Sept. Parole. - The a Bond licence to pick Morning Glory seed in Corte Santoni, pointing on the boundary of Hamilton, during the year 1886. - Amount due is, $5.00 ¢ -

2. Miranda, Antelmino. Hamilton: - The a licence to open Gills out Morning seed in the Gulle matoa of Sunbury Bay, one Amanda Morrel, from the 1st of November 1886. to the 15th April 1887. -

The amount is: - " 1.00 ¢ -

3. James Smith. Hamilton: The do. do. " 1.00 " -
4. George Summers. do. do. do. " 1.00 " -
5. Clement Cooper. do. do. do. " 1.00. " -
6. Samuel Martin. Hamilton: do. do. " 1.00. " -
7. Miranda Grant. Hamilton: do. do. " 1.00. " -
8. George Hunter. do. do. do. " 1.00. " -
9. Patrick Grace. do. do. do. " 1.00. " -
10. Albert Morris. Hamilton. do. do. " 1.00. " -

Respectfully submitted!! - Total. $ 14.00 ¢ -

I have the honor to be,

Sir, -

Your obedient servant. -

The Deputy Minister. - Chief Engineer. -

Department of Fisheries. - Fishery Service. -

Ottawa! Ont. -

Hamilton: Ont.—

Sir.— 20. January 1887.—

I have the honor to submit to you, my report, and statistics of the Elgin Division, E. fronting in Lake Erie; for the year ending 31st December 1886.—

There is a small increase of #1,906.74¢. in the catch of fish, during the year 1886, as compared with the previous year of 1885.---

The catch of the year ending 31st December 1886, is #38.616.92¢.— The published account for year 1885, show a Total catch of #36.710.18¢.— being an increase of #1,906.74¢. over the previous year.---

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All things have gone smoothly on in the Elgin Division of Lake Erie! peace, happiness and contentment was the order of the day,— until the severe storm of the 14th of October last, demolished and destroyed the 43. Pound Nets; set fishing in Lake Erie, fronting on the County of Elgin and the Township of Stoney Point!— as already reported to the Department by me!.---

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A general Memo: to the Department, dated 15th November 1886, after I had made a personal examination of the destruction, loss and damage inflicted on all the Pound Nets fishermen between Aldborough, west, and Houghton (Centre,) fronting on the Elgin Division, E. of Lake Erie, will have already shown you the losses incurred by the Pound Net fishermen.---

In bringing this matter now before you, I am moved by considerate feelings; with a special request from the sufferers to do so: and I respectfully recommend them one and all for your favourable consideration.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa! Ont — 1.

Hamilton: Ont.—

Sir,— 20. January 1887.—

I have the honor to submit to you, my report, and statistics of the Fish Division, &c. pertaining in detail thereto; for the year ending 31st December 1886.—

There is a steady increase of $1,906.74 in the total of fish, during the year 1886, as compared with the previous year of 1885.—

The total of the year ending 31st December 1886, is $38,616.02.— The publisher account for year 1885, show a total of $36,710.18.— leaving an increase of $1,906.74 over the previous year.—

All things have gone smoothly on in the Fish Division of this Dn.: peace, happiness and contentment was the order of the day.- until the news arrived of the 14th of October last, remodelled our otherwise the 13. Same state: but finding in this Dn. so many of Fish and the Chronicle of day Dn.: so already reported to the Department by me.—

On perusal allow: to the Department, dated 15th January 1886, after I have made a personal examination of the section, has our Manager supplied on sale the Same state fishers between Hillsborough, and our Township (Ewin.) pertaining on the Fish Division, K. of this Dn. will have already shown you the losses incurred by the Same after fishers.—

In bringing this matter now before you, I am moved by sentiments feelings; with a special request you the supposes to do so: and I respectfully recommend them are and all for your favorable consideration.

The Deputy Minister,

Department of Fisheries, &c.

Ottawa: Ont.—

It was a fearful and destructive storm! –
The annual Return, herewith will show an increase during the past season of 7. Tags, – 77½. Tonnage, worth $12,800. dollars, and with 49 men engaged; an increase in the Elgin Division, over the previous season. – – –

I may here report, that the following are the Kinds and Quantities of fish caught in Lake Erie, fronting on Elgin Division! as per printed Return, for the year 1886! – – – Sent with this report. –

		$. –	¢. –
White fish...	71.061. at 10¢. –	7,106.	10¢.
Herring...	627,392. " 2¢. –	12,547.	84.. –
Eels...	21. – – – –	1.	00.. –
Sturgeon....	160,357. at 5¢. –	8,017.	85.. –
Pickerel,..	421.204. at 2,844¢	9,462.	13.. –
Maskinonge..	40. at 10¢. –	4.	00.. –
Bass...	500. at 8¢. –	4.	00.. –
Coarse Fish! –	9,600. at 3¢. –	288.	00.. –
Home Consumption,	29,650. at 4¢. –	1,186.	00..
	Total, $.	38,615.	92¢. –

And only for the severe storm, of the 14th of October last, the catch of fish for 1886, would be at least 1/3rd more. – – –

White fish, and Salmon Trout! "Close season"!! was well kept, and I heard no complaints! –
We have scarcely any Trout, in the Elgin Division of Lake Erie. – – –

It is considered that the entire month of November, is too long for White fish in the Elgin Division of Lake Erie, and that 1/2, the month would be ale sufficient. – – –

It was a painful and astonishing fact! The annual return, herewith made, shows an increase during the past season of 7. Stgs. 77½. Hogsheads, worth $ 13,806. dollars, but with 49 men engaged; an increase in the Cayen Division, over the previous season. - - -

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I may here report that the following are the Kinds and Quantities of gold brought in during the Cayen Division for the year 1886. - - - but with this a part. -

White gold. - -	7,061. at 10/. -	7,106. 10/.
Honing. - -	637,392. " 2/. -	12,847. 8/. -
Jels. - -	21. - - - -	1. 00. -
Stringers. - -	160,357. at 5/. -	8,017. 8/. -
Refined. - -	421,204. at 2½/.	9,462. 13. -
Amalgamings. -	40. at 10/. -	1. 00. -
Dross. - -	700. at 8/. -	1. 00. -
Horses Gold. -	9,600. at 3/. -	288. 00. -
Home Consumption 29,670. at 4/. -		1,186. 00. -
	Total $	38,617. 02/. -

But only for the horses return, of the 4½ of October last, the total of gold for 1886, would be at least 1/3rd more. - - -

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White gold, our labour there! "Where been"!!.
Men made left, and I hear no complaints! -
We have scarcely any Chart, in the Cayen Division, of late this. - - -

It is considered that the entire month of November, is too long for White Gold in the Cayen Division of late this, our that 2. the month would be ole sufficient. - - -

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There is a superior class of White fish, in Lake Erie.- I have had repeated applications made to me, by the Port Stanley- fishermen; for the privilege of procuring the ova for The Fish Breeding Houses.- I recommend that you will be pleased to take this matter into consideration when the proper time arrives during next November.---

From the arrangement carried out by me in the Elgin Division; under instructions from the Department, I have to report that everything has gone on well and most pleasant and satisfactory both to myself and those concerned during the past year.- All the Fishermen in Elgin Division, have already applied for their licenses for this current year.---

I recommend that as Frank Jackson resides in Port Burwell; where he lands his fish, altho' he fishes in front of the Township of Houghton to lot No: 16,- County of Norfolk,- and because there is no Harbour to land in; fished by Frank Jackson!- I recommend that you will be pleased to attach Houghton and Jackson, to Elgin Division during this current year.-

Mr Tribble, fish dealer of Buffalo, N. Y.- has built a Freezer, at Pt Burwell,- together with Ice Houses and fish Houses built there by Pound Net fishermen of the village amount to the handsome sum of $7.500.-

And this sum together with $6.000- more, has been laid out during the past year, in the construction of three fast fishing Tugs.-

Messrs John Ellison Jr and John Price- of Port Stanley,- have invested between them outside of Tug Boats and Pound Nets! to the extent of $5.200

There is a surplus fund of $1,[illegible] in Cash in hand. I have had reported applications made for by the Cat Township Patrolmen for the privilege of pasturing the cows on the Cat Marshing Marsh. I recommend that you will be pleased to take this matter into consideration when the proper time comes during next November.

Now the arrangement carried out by me in the Lagoon Mission; under instructions from the Government, I have to report that everything has gone on well and most satisfactorily and that we have conserved during the past year. — All the Chiefsmen in Lagoon Mission, have already applied for their licences for this current year.

I recommend that as Thomas Jackson resides in Cat Township; where he hunts his fish, settles he pastes in part of the township of Muncheton to let pass: 1st. Township of Arnprior. As it seems there is no Marshes to hunt in; Petition by Chief Jackson. I recommend that you will be pleased to attach Muncheton and Jackson, to Lagoon Mission during this current year.

While Chief Cat dealer of Chippewa, M.C. has built a Stopper at the Township, together with the Crows and Cat Crows built this by Crows that Jackson of the village amount to the Township sum of $7,300.

That this sum together with $6,000 more, has been laid out during the past year, in the Construction of three Cat Fishing Stage.

While Jon Chief of and John Chief of Cat Township, have invested between them outside of Cat Boats and Canoe yacht: to the extent of $6,500

Hamilton City!.----

"The reformers last night nominated The Rev.d Dr. Burns, — a Methodist Preacher, and Head Master of a Methodist College for young ladies! — He is an Irish man, and a Home Ruler! I have not heard yet if he is favourable to the Hamilton Game Club! —

"The other man is a Knight of Labour named Walters! —

"The Conservatives will Nominate Alley: McKay, — the present Mayor, and a Knight of Labour to oppose them! Messrs. Robertson, and Kilvert are now plain persons! neither the Judge! nor Collector of Customs — is yet added to their Names!. —

Yours respectfully. —
John W. Kerr — E.O.

Hamilton,
25. January 1887. 5.

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— Mr. Thibs, I may have reports hurtfully given all the Fishermen! between Mr. Stanley, and the Grand River! Lake Erie! and his friends good and his money always — Also the other mothers and Collectors throughout the Dominion for, year 1886, and forwarded all the licence fees, Department. — I have is nothing for the year 1886. — With the foregoing report, Believe me at the conclusion of the year! with due respect. — I Remain the Honor to be, — Sir, —

Your Obedient Servant, —
John W. Kerr —
Fishery Overseer.

Mr. Chairman, I now have report long read between-
hindly from all the Chairmen! between Mr. Attorney-
-our the Grand Juror! Look this! our his Honor
good our his money always was.—

Did the other matters our things I have here=
fully attended to! Collector all the licence fee,
for year 1886, and Commissioner the same to the
Department.— There is nothing outstanding for
for the year 1886.—

With the foregoing report, believe me at
the conclusion of the year! with due respect.—
I have the honor to be,—
Sir,—
Your obedient servant,—
Mohinlal Karsan.—
Chairman Municipality

Private!

Memorandum! for S. P. Bennett Esqre
Fisheries Department.—
Ottawa! Ont.—

I was at Pt. Dover, on yesterday to see Overseer D. Sharp, regarding his annual returns for Storgeon Division! Lake Erie! for year ending 31st December 1886: which I have to make out for him.—

I saw Mr. John S. Allan — who is most anxious to be employed again to procure the spawn at Colpoys Bay next fall for the Hatcheries of the Department.— Mr. Allan proposes to catch and furnish all the spawn required for $600,— for the season; provided he gets a licence for 3 pound nets,— and is allowed to fish them under licence for this current year.— He says he tells me can furnish 3. pound nets: to any profit or advantage

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to himself otherwise.... The expense for stakes, and the driving! Anchor stones and floats for the Leads! is so expensive as to take away the profits — unless fishing them in the ordinary way — under an annual licence. Allan tells me now Mr. Mackail, M.P. at Wiarton: will support him with the department in a scheme of this kind, sooner than be deprived of the spawn as was the case last fall in Meaford.

Will you be pleased to give this matter your consideration, and advise me, so that I may tell Allan: what your decision is!!. For if not favourable he says he must prepare and apply to fish some place else! so as to be in a position to lay in Dec. V.— V....

I send you by Express this day 4, nice White fish, and I hope you will

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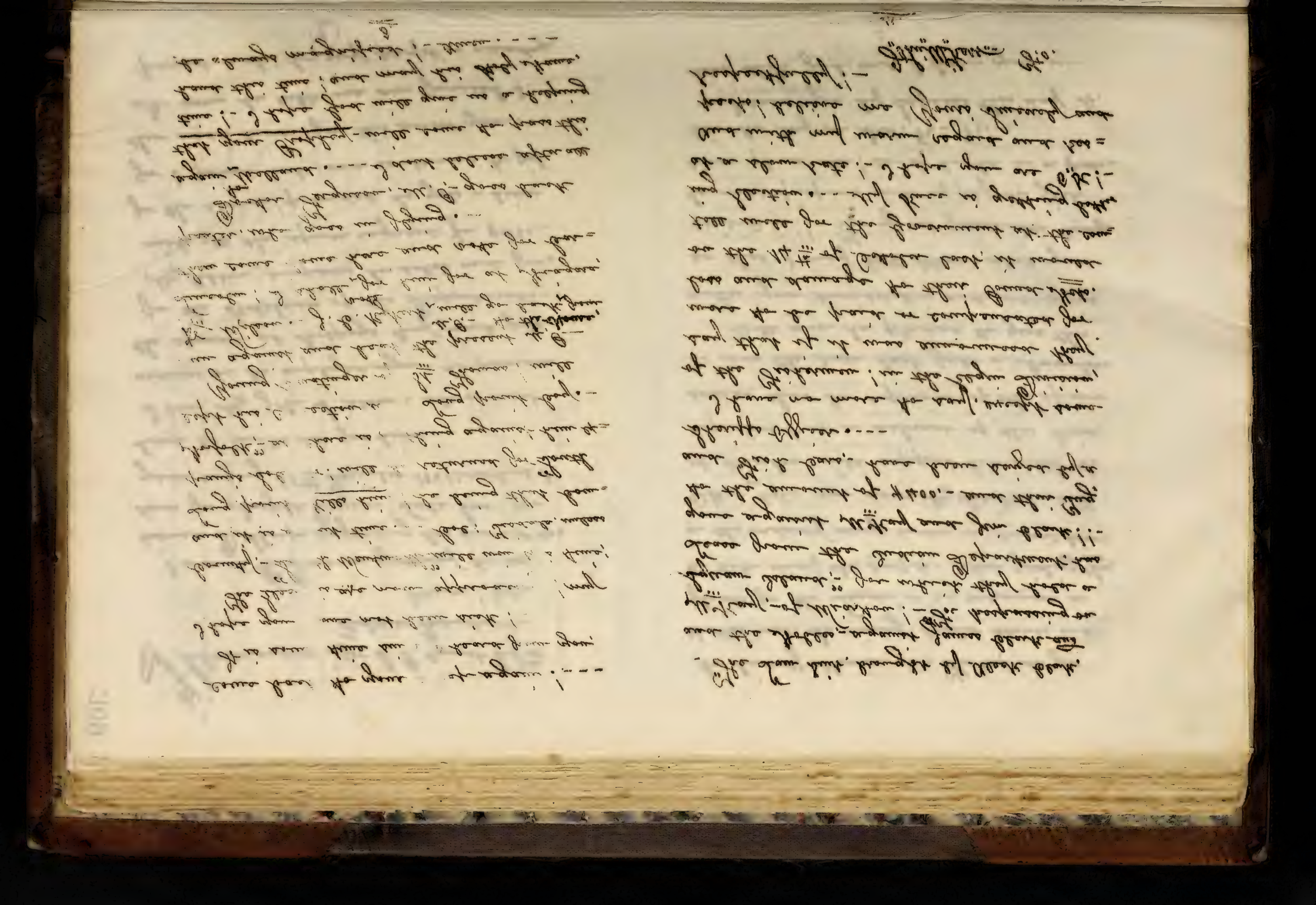
come back to your [illegible] again! ---
It is some time since I heard from you,
I hope you have not been sick!
The Elec[illegible] is fast approaching my
County.- [illegible] Wanton "will win" this time;
and it is [illegible] time [illegible] Col: Tassels, unless
Long point "Kills him" he being that bean-
pauper Col[illegible] will returned for "South
Norfolk"; [illegible] here is [illegible] being against him ex-
cept his [illegible]cation [illegible] Long point boy.-
Young [illegible]atinger [illegible] St. Thomas will
run against and beat the present M.P.-
Dr. Wilson. J. C. Rykert M.P.- to the House,
Lincoln! I shall vote for him for at Niagara,
there come [illegible] here and vote for Bar-
nater, who goes in flying. --
Doctor Ferguson, ell. P.- goes back
again to Welland. --- I dont believe after all
that your Prophecy- will come to pass this
time!- I hope God will give us a helping
hand this time! and may his Holy Name,
be always magnified!- Amen. ---

The Law Suit, brought by Alleck Clark,
and the Noble, against James Clark and
McKay, of Wiarton! - for trespassing on
Squaw Island!" for which they hold a
Lease from the Indian Department, has
gone against McKay and Jim Clark!!-
to the amount of $400,- and their Tug,
and Fish Cars,- have been seized by a
Sheriffs Officer. ---

I have no more to say, except some
of the Fishermen! in the Elgin Division,
say that if it was announced they
were to be paid or compensated for
loss and damage to their Pound Nets,
on the 14th of October last, it would
tell well for the Government at the com-
ing Election. --- My Knee is getting better
at a slow rate!- I hope you are O.K!-
And with my warm regard and res-
pects! believe me Yours Sincerely and
respectfully!-

John McKay Esq.



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Private.

J. C. Rykert Esq.
M.P.P.

Hamilton! - Ont. -
26. January 1887. -

My dear Mr Rykert.

Yours received! in the matter of John Bolton! I may in the first place tell you that Thos: Elliot - of Niagara and I went up together and we voted for you at the last General Election; and we done so without fee or reward! and at my own expense I went to Queenston; secured for you three reform votes, - that are still g d for you at the approaching Election. -

From that time to this present day Thomas Elliot is a raving Maniac! -

Now my intention is the same now as it was then! I go to Queenston the day before polling - arrange the Queenston votes for you, vote next day 22d February, for you and come home here and vote for Mr Carpenter, with a hip hurrah! -

I will not by word, act, or deed do any thing to void your Election or raise any question detrimental to you or our party - by making promises before hand, that perhaps I might not afterwards be able to fulfil . - - Mr Bolton can come up with me and vote as I do for you: and then I will know and remember the ground and position we occupy! to you. I cannot promise a Bribe - for voting: the writ - for the Election is out, to do so; would be Criminal in the highest degree, not only to me you but to your Committee, and you will please explain to Jack Bishop - and members of Committee what I have say to you on the subject. -

I get home from Pt Dover, this afternoon where I have done something for Col: Tisdale, and will try and help Dr Ferguson, in Welland, and M.c Cullo in Peel. - I will call and see you personally on this subject soon; believe me Yours faithfully, -

John H. Kerr. - J.P.

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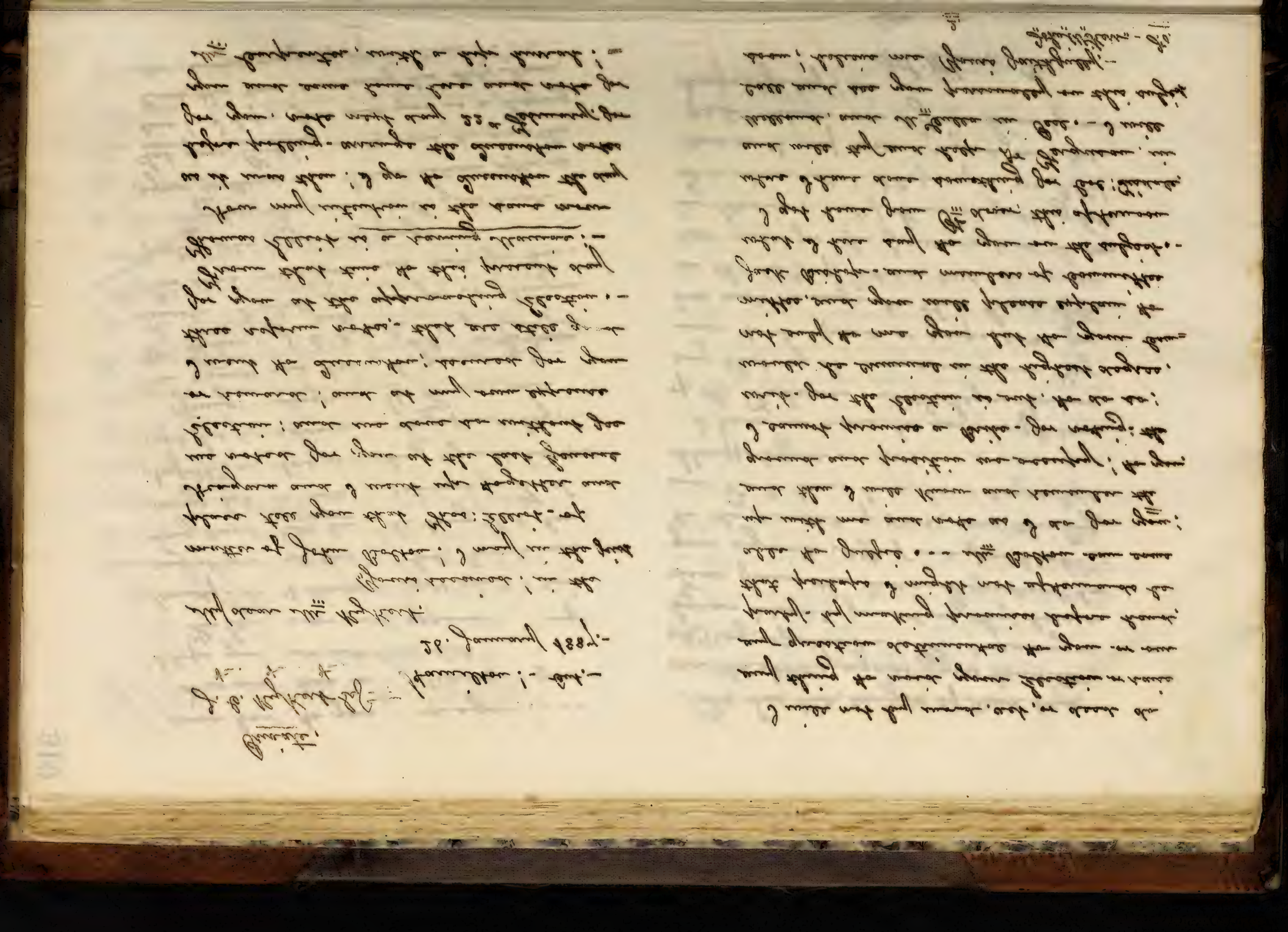


David Sharp,

Port Ryerse

1st January, 31st December -6

				in Miles	
1886.					
January,	8.	To Turkey point to collect returns,	1.	16.144 R,	1. 50.-
"	14.	To Port Dover, to see J. W. Kerr, F. Cousser.	1.	8. do,	1. 50.-
February,	2.	To Port Rowan, on fishery business. - -	1.	32. do,	2. 50.-
"	18, 19.	To Port Dover and Rainham, to receive applications for Pound Act licenses.-	2.	54. do,	4. 50
"	23, 24.	To Clear Creek, on application for Pound Act licenses,	2.	52. do.-	4. 75.-
"	24.	To Port Dover, to meet J. W. Kerr, F. Cousser,	1.	8. do.-	1. 50.-
March,	10.	To Turkey point and Forrestville f. business,	1.	20. do.-	2. 00.-
"	29.	To Port Dover, to see J. W. Kerr, on fishery matters connected with Norfolk Division.	1.	8. do,	1. 50.-
April,	13, 14.	To Clear Creek collecting license fees, and looking after Pickerel, Bass, &c. "Close Season"	1.	60. do,	4. 50.-
"	20.	To Turkey point delivering licenses, &c.-	1.	18. do,	1. 50.-
"	26.	To Port Dover, to meet the J. W. Kerr.-	1.	8. do,	1. 00.-
"	28, 29.	To Rainham and back, respecting Pound Act licenses. - -	2.	50. do.-	4. 50.-
May,	"	To St. Davids to see the J. W. Kerr. F.O.	1.	8. do.-	1. 50.-
"	13.	To Port Royal and Clear Creek.	2.	48. do,	4. 00.-
"	25.	To Rainham and return home. -	2.	45. do,	3. 00.-
"	29.	To Hamilton to see the J. W. Kerr, F.O.	1.	90. Ry. do,	3. 00.-
June,	18.	To Clear Creek and return home again.	2.	48. R.R.	4. 50.-
Sept,	29.	To Port Rowan, and return, collecting fines,	2.	34. do,	4. 50.-
October,	21.	Up to Port Rowan, posting "Close Season" notices for white fish. -	2.	48. do,	4. 50.-
November,	4.	Up to St. Williams, looking after close season	1.	28. do,	2. 00.-
"	24, 25.	Away down to the Eastern boundary of Rainham - and home! (Close Season)	2.	56. do,	5. 00.-
December,	25, 26.	To Clear Creek, getting up "Annual Returns," returns, for 1886. -	2.	48. do,	5. 00.-
"	27.	To Turkey point, getting up annual returns,	1.	16. do,	1. 00.-
		Add! Telegrams & Postages, & Stationery	=	" - " -	1. 37.-
		" James McCalla, salary, as Guardian for year 1886. -		" "	30. 00.-
				Totals, 33. 801. Miles,	100. 62¢.-

Jamaica Library.

Post Surveyor

1st January. 31st December 1

									in dollars
1886.									
January	8.	Kingston Parish for Collect returns				1.	16.	144	1. 50.-
"	14.	Post Master, for case of Mr. Thomson.				1.	8.	do.	1. 50.-
February	22.	Post Master, on Quarterly business				1.	32.	do.	2. 50.-
"	18.	Post Master and Messenger, for receiving opinion for Board of Health business.							2. 50.-
"	24.	Post Master for Board of Health business							2. 50.-
"	24.	Post Master, for case of Mr. Thomson				1.	8.	do.	1. 50.-
"	10.	Kingston Parish and Superintendent of Business				1.	20.	do.	2. 00.-
"	19.	Post Master, for case of Mr. Thomson, on Quarterly Committee connected with Health Commission				1.	8.	do.	1. 50.-
Sept.	13.	Post Master, collecting licence fees and Quarterly returns							
"	24.	Post Master, for case of Mr. Thomson				1.	60.	do.	4. 50.-
"	20.	Kingston Parish, delivering licences				1.	18.	do.	1. 50.-
"	26.	Post Master, for case of Mr. Thomson				1.	8.	do.	1. 00.-
"	28.	Constables and Bailiff, Kingston, conveying Board of Health business.							
"	29.	Post Master				2.	60.	do.	4. 50.-
Oct.	12.	Constable for case of Mr. Thomson				1.	8.	do.	1. 50.-
"	12.	Post Master, and Telegraph Branch				2.	48.	do.	4. 00.-
"	12.	Constables and return house				2.	42.	do.	3. 00.-
"	12.	Constables for case of Mr. Thomson				1.	20.	do.	2. 00.-
Nov.	12.	Post Master and return house expenses				2.	48.	do.	4. 50.-
Dec.	31.	Post Master, and return, collecting fees				2.	84.	do.	4. 50.-
		Kingston for return fees							
Nov.	24.	Kingston Constables, delivering notice (Mr. Thomson)				1.	28.	do.	2. 00.-
"	24.	Constables, and return house (Mr. Thomson)				2.	60.	do.	4. 00.-
Dec.	29.	Post Master, getting up annual returns, for 1886.				2.	48.	do.	4. 00.-
"	29.	Kingston Parish getting up annual returns				1.	16.	do.	1. 00.-
		Total: Salaries of Postage Statistics				=	"	— " —	1. 34.-
		James McBride, Salary, as Surveyor for year 1886.							
							"	"	80. 00.-
		Total					33.	801.	100. 62 4/-

Private!

Hamilton. Ont.
27. January 1887.–

My dear Sharp!

I send your incidental apt. including Mr Calls, salary,– today. –

Sign receipt therein, and swear before a Magistrate, and then forward at once to the Department, Ottawa. –

As regards Wallace and Stephen Price, Col: Tisdales own cousins,– it is some personal spleen,– which should be got rid of – Vote for the Conservative party or with the party to whom they belong as staunch supporters of loyalty to the Crown, the Queen and the British Empire – my Mother was a Price and I never knew one of them disloyal yet. See these young men yourself, and ask it from me as a particular favour, that they stand firm to our Glorious cause this time and forever. –

Yours faithfully. –
John W. Kerr. –

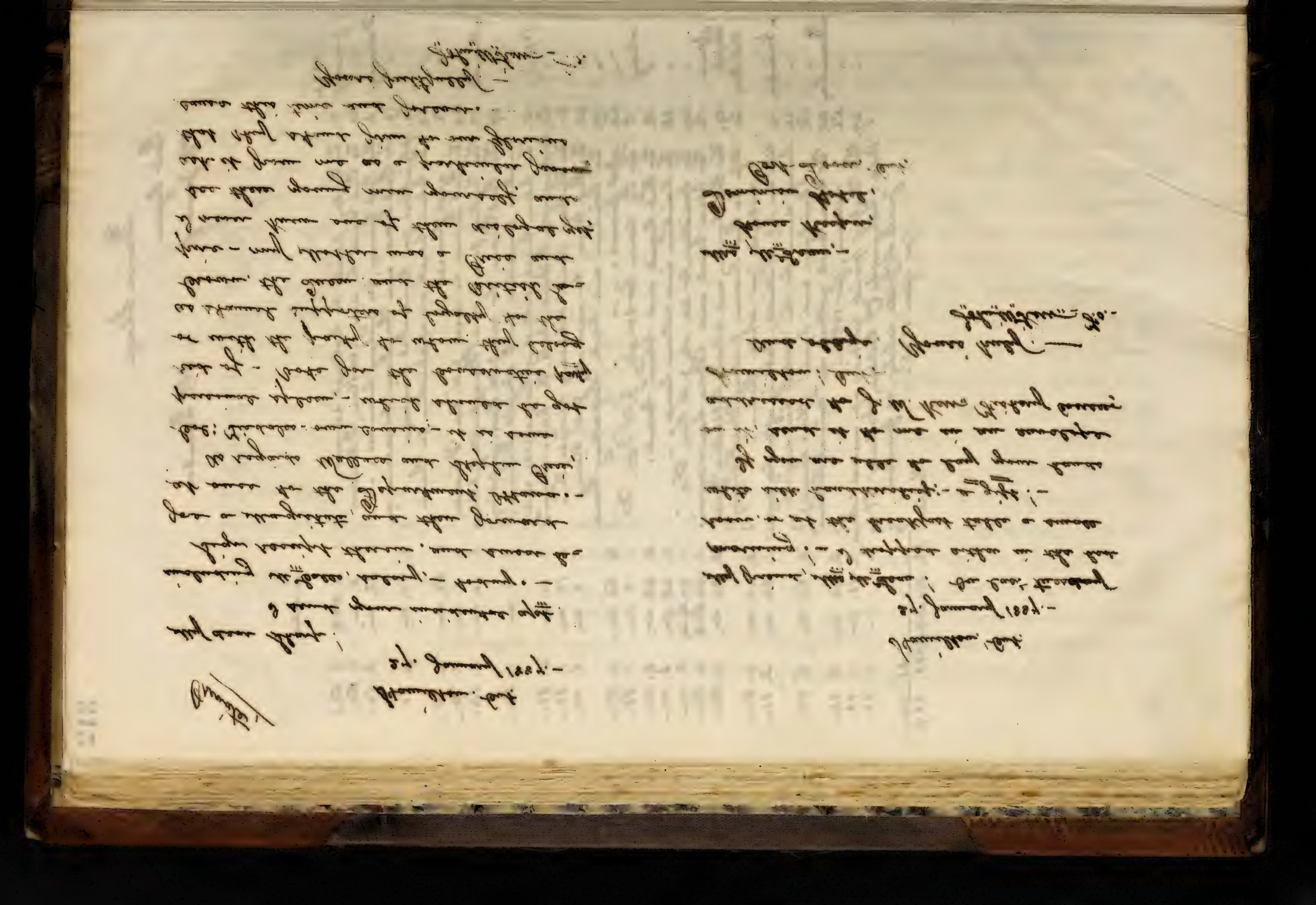
Hamilton, Ont.
27. January 1887.–

My friend, Mrs McLean! On last tuesday morning! – I dropped either in the bedroom, or at the breakfast table a small white silk handkerchief; – a gift! –

If you are able to lay your hands on it, send it to me in an envelope addressed to J. W. Kerr, Fishery Commr, Hamilton: Ont. –

Dead oblige. Yours truly. –
John W. Kerr. F.C. –

Mrs McLean, –
House Keeper,
Dominion Hotel,
Port Dover, Ont.



vote!

Hamilton, Ont. —

27. January 1887. —

Dear Mr Hamilton, —

Yours received in reference to Mr Reid, and his son, who lives on Farm on Lake Erie — Town of Stoney Creek, vote for our friend; the Conservative candidate Mr McCullagh. — I inform you — that both before I received your letter, I had communicated with them on the subject. — I satisfied they will vote right, but require a person to look after them and bring them to the polls! — You yourself are most fit and proper person to do this! before I got your letter, I was pledged to our friend J. B. Aykert of St Catharines — M.P. for Lincoln!!. having a vote in the Town of Niagara, I go there day before polling, put in my own vote and see that others reformers at Queenston and Niagara, put in their votes for Mr Aykert. — That done, I start from Niagara home and vote for F. Carpenter, and if Alex Blakely Pt Credit has put me on the voters list as owner of the Slade farm, I would by some means or another get to Pt Credit, and vote for Mr McCullagh. — On Monday last I was in Port Dover and secured 2, reform votes for Colonel Tisdale, the candidate for South Norfolk, and I assisted Wm Morgan, M.P.P. — local member to get in. — I purpose to aid and assist Dr Ferguson, in Welland! and Mayor McKay, and Adam Brown Esq. when and after they are nominated this evening for the City of Hamilton! —

So that you will now see my hands are full, besides I hope to do something for Mr Armstinger, who is running for East Elgin.

You can if you wish write to my friend

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The Right Honble Sir John Macdonald, to whom I am personally known; and tell him in your own way what I have been doing in aiding and assisting his Political friends, who are all my own private friends, and as Conservatives! I am always ready to assist them as friends. - - -

I will see Frank Reid and his son Wm soon, and I will again talk to them and advise with them on the subject of voting! but you see now! — that my previous engagement to J. C. Rykert Esqre incapacitates me from going to Pt Credit, and bringing them down to the Port to vote. . . . And I will get my own name on the assessment roll for Slade, Jarvis, as Owner, this year. - - -

Under the circumstances in which I am previously - placed - with Mr Rykert, will you be pleased to excuse me this time. — Any other way I can serve the cause please let me know, and believe me! —

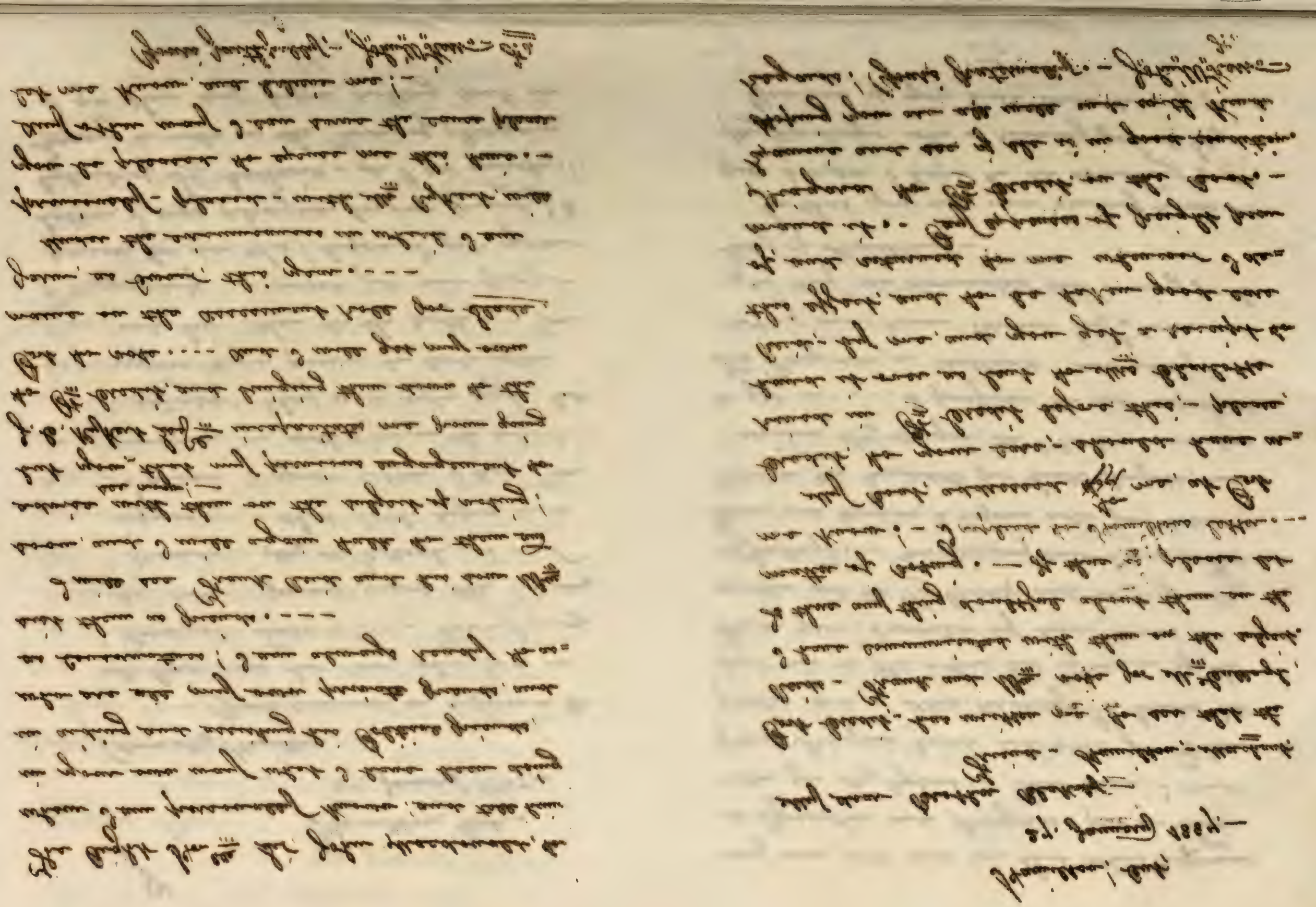
Yours faithfully, — John W. Kerr — J.P.

Hamilton! Ont,

27. January 1867. —

My dear Brother Blakely, —

Friend - Hamilton, - Merchant, Port Credit, - has written me to see that the Reids - Frank and Wm vote for Mr Cullough, I have communicated with them on the subject. Is there any thing doubtful about them on the matter of voting. — If there is, please let me know! — I replied to Hamiltons letter. — My Boat, addressed to me, at Port Credit, to your care, - should have arrived in Pt Credit before this, - please, hand it over as lent to Mrs Charlotte Reid, - by me, and you get a receipt to this effect, and to be taken good care of, and returned to me whenever I demand it. . - Pay expenses of freight from Niagara to Pt Credit, on the Boat. — Examine and see if she is in good condition. Hoping you are all well and with kind regards! Yours fraternally. — John W. Kerr — J.P.



Hamilton! Ont.

27. January 1887.—

My Friend and Brother

McBride! —

Yours of the 17th instant received regarding your friend W. F. Luton who lives about 8 miles from St Thomas, and has a Pond of spring water, and no stream from it. — He wants you say: to put in some fish spawn, or fry this next spring. — He wants to breed the Brook or Speckled trout; he wrote to Sam. Wells Newcastle, Ont, but got no reply. —

Now then!

Brother McBride, get your friend Mr W. F. Luton, — to write me a letter, in which he will state the No: of the lot on which he resides, and on which this Pond of sparkling spring water is placed, the Concession and the Township. — —

Give an accurate and clear description of the Pond, — about the number of it contains acres, depth of water, and if there is a stream running in, and running out of the Pond, or if it is the result of a spring. — Apply to me direct for Speckled Trout, fry, — stating that he hopes I would be in a position to let him know where he will be able to procure some fry — to people the Pond. — address the letter J. W. Kerr Fishery Overseer, Hamilton, — and I will endeavour to procure from the Fisheries department, Ottawa, — all the speckled trout fry your friend wants; and you may always rest satisfied, that whenever you want me to do a little act, for any friend of yours, — you are always heartily welcome to apply to me, for you know I carried within your heart and mind, that I am always ready and willing to serve a most deserving friend: — and with my warm regard and respects to you and Yours! Believe me faithfully, — Yours fraternally, — John W. Kerr. —

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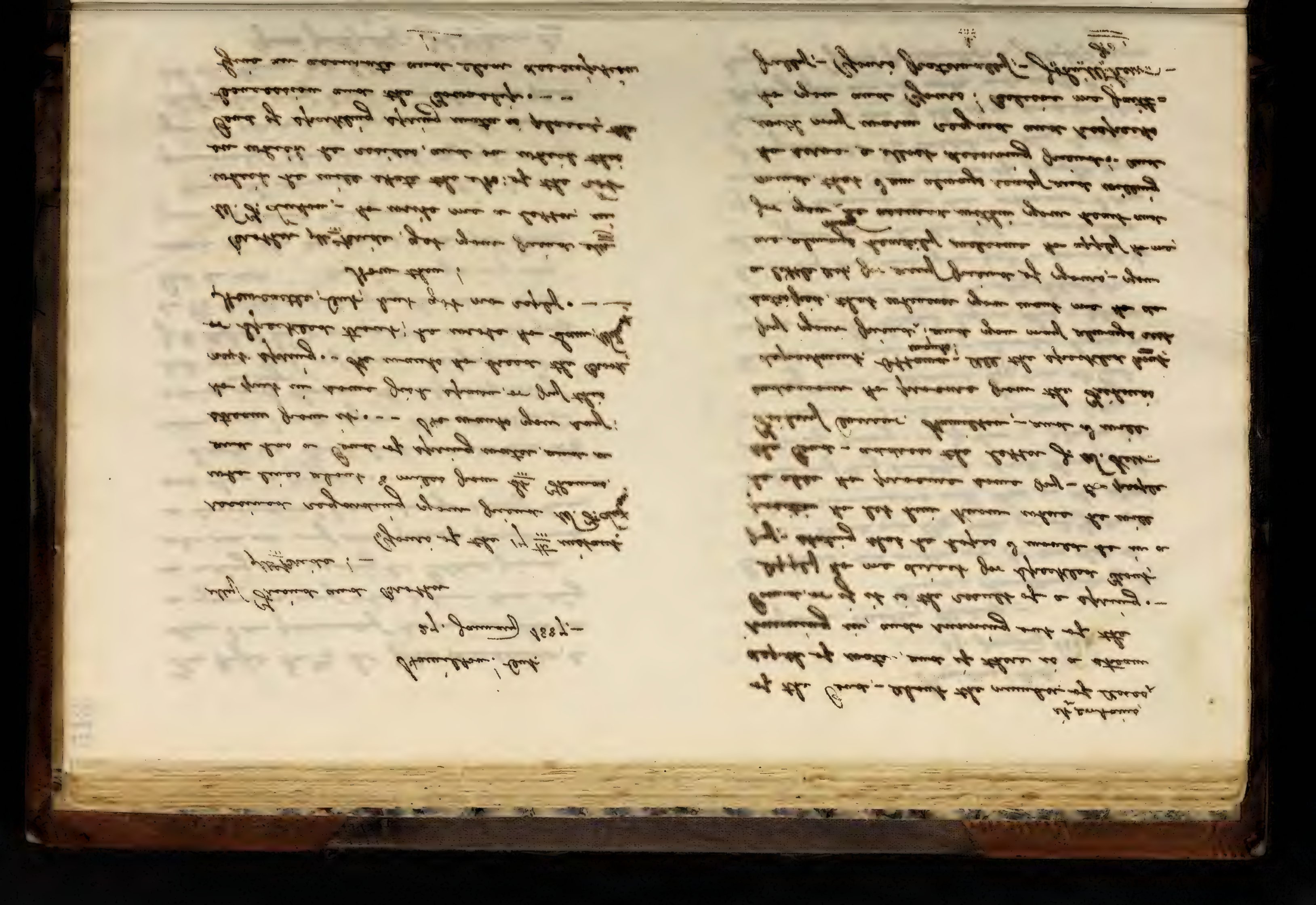

Hamilton! Ont.
22. January 1887.

My dear Joe, —

Your letter received and the contents sent to The Fisheries, Ottawa. What you have asked for will be always faithfully carried out by me; — for as you and your father is concerned! —

Another Election for The House of Commons - Ottawa; will be on us again next month.

The 15th of February next will be nomination day and the 22d February, will be polling day. — .

Our esteemed friend J. C. Rykert Esq

is in the field again. — My earnest request to you and your father is vote for, and support J. C. Rykert Esq to the very utmost of your power and capacity! for he is a genuine good fellow! do all you can for him. — —

Get Adair and your brotherinlaw Stewart, to vote and work for him. —

How will the Harry Sheppard's sons, Richard and Sam; vote — I hope like their father for J. C. Rykert. —

Answer and let me know. —

On the 20th day last, I slipped on Ice, and got a fall - that seriously injured my right knee, and I am lame ever since, but I am slowly getting better. — —

With my warm regards to your wife and father, believe me; Yours truly, —

John A. Kerr Jr.

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Hamilton: Ont.
28. January 1887.-

My dear friend, and Brother
Harry,—

Your vote and influence once more for brother - J. C. Rykert. I hope you will get yours sons Richard and Sam: to the Polls, to vote for him and your brother-in-law. With my warm regards, and respects to Mrs Sheppard and your worthy self, believe me as usual.—

Yours fraternally,—
John W. Kerr
F.O.

Harry Sheppard Esqre
Drummond,—
Ont.

Ahmedabad: Dated

25. January 1881.

Will Chinese wear Gandhi?

Shanghai.—

Chinese wear wooden sandals and
Gandhi cap. Gandhi cap is made of
cotton. Gandhi cap is made of
cotton by the Chinese and Chinese
wear cotton. Chinese wear cotton
wear cotton by the Chinese.

Chinese Dragonwell.—

Chinese Dragonwell is made of
cotton. Chinese wear cotton.

Shanghai.—

Chinese wear cotton.

Chinese wear cotton.

Chinese wear cotton.

Hamilton, C.W.
29. January 1857.

My dear Brother,
Allan! –

On my arrival home last on tuesday last I wrote to Ottawa, as I promised you I would. –

On last morning I got an answer from there to my letter, stating a letter on the same subject was received from your friend Mr. Macnaller – Mr. P. to which the department would send an answer. – –

James Muir, Esq. Fishery Overseer at Port Elgin! who was dismissed for gross neglect of his duty, has been circulating reports injurious to Mr. Macnaller as Candidate – by stating he was dismissed for Political motives: The facts were as I found them! He collected Money for licences!! – I,

and kept some in his possession, until I found it out and reported him to the Government. –

And he allowed the Sawyers to be polluted with fish guts, – and lime from the Tannery at Southampton. – for which I fined the offenders. &c.

Please write at once to friend Mr. David Porter, and have him write to Mr. Lyndsay, Merchant, – and Mr. Geo. Smith – Southampton: so that they can give the false report a flat denial, and Contradiction. – Mind I am your and Mr. Porter and Lyndsay's authority. – – Yours truly,

John B. Allan

John B. Allan by
Mr. Porter, –
Port

Q,

Mauritius, Isle
29 January 1887.

William Arthur,
Dear Sir,

I am very anxious that my
son Frederick should be sent to Ottawa as
a promising boy & superior.

I do not mention it yet to him,
from fear he may fetter, stretching a little
as the same subject was received from
your friend the Attorney-Gen. &c. &c.
which the Government would have
on Canada.

Yours truly Sincerely & Dear
Friend! make your circumstances for Yours my
last of this study. Are there circumstances
which require the Attorneys to Canada.
Stop. Pay attention to your circumstances for
Political matters: The Yours more as I
yours then: the author plump. for
the Canada!! — &c.

most high time in his possession,
which I present it not your respected
him to the Government.

But to allowance the Company. It is
particular until Yours yet. - our Lord
from the Treasury at Instruments. -
Yours which I yours the appearance. &c.

Then write at once to Prince the
Minister Otter, our Lord him write to
the Chancellor, Attorney, our the
Minister Instruments: in that day our
you the yours report & yet remind
our Confederation. - Lord I am your
our the Otter our Chancellor
Minister. - - (Yours truly)

Gladstone &c.

Sir A. Allan Bart
Ottawa -
Bart

Hamilton! Ont,—

Sir,— 29. January 1887.---

I have the honor to send you Bank draft No: 280. for the sum of Twelve dollars.---

Will you be pleased to apply this amount as licence fees for current year of 1887.- and for 1886. as follows:—

1. John Dynes,- Burlington Beach!--For a licence to spear Herring and Pike,- in the Public waters of Burlington Bay,- and Dundas Marsh from 25th November 1886 to the 15th of April 1887.-- $1.00
2. Wm Dennis,- Hamilton!- do.- do.- " 1.00
3. John Spooner,- do.- do.- do.- " 1.00
4. Wm Small.- do.- do.- do.- " 1.00
5. Jas: Dawey.-- do.- do.- do.- " 1.00
6. Richard Williams.- do.- do.- do.- " 1.00
7. David Garrett, Saltfleet, do.- do.- " 1.00
8. Wm Joyce, Bronte,— For a Boat licence, to fish Herring Gill nets, in Lake Ontario, fronting on the County of Halton! for the year ending 31st December 1886.- amount " 5.00

Respectfully Submitted!— Total $12.00

I have the Honor to be,

Sir.—

Your Obedient Servant.—

John Walker.—

Fishery Overseer.—

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,—
Ottawa! Ont.—

Hamilton, Ont.,

Sir,— 29. January 1887.—

I have the honor to send you herewith No: 280. for the sum of twelve dollars.—

While you be pleased to apply this amount as license fee for current year of 1887.—and for 1886. as follows:—

1. John Dryden.— Hamilton Canal:— Fee & license to operate running east & W. in the Dundas district of Hamilton Conf.— and Amount allowed from 25th November to the 15th of April 1887.— $1.00
2. Miss Sangle.— Hamilton:— do.— do.— " 1.00
3. John Dryden.— do.— do.— do.— " 1.00
4. Miss Arnold.— do.— do.— do.— " 1.00
5. Jno: Conway.— do.— do.— do.— " 1.00
6. Richard McGinnis.— do.— do.— do.— " 1.00
7. Daniel Garrett.— Hastings do.— do.— " 1.00
8. Miss Foye.— Toronto.— Fee & Cart license to part running this cart in Toronto Township on the township of Etobicoke for the year ending 31st December 1886.— Amount " 2.00

Respectfully Submitted:— Total $12.00

I have the honor to be,

Sir,—

Your obedient Servant.—

Hamilton.—

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Revenue,—
Ottawa, Ont.—

Memorandum! for S. P. Bancroft Esqre
Fisheries Department.
Ottawa! — Ont. —

What time does Close Season?— for speckled Trout expire in Quebec: (Province of) and when can they be angled for, and caught? — —

Doctor Lewis Springer, retired of his own free will and accord; he voted in the House to uphold the Government, in the Riel case! —

I see the Grits are down on Yeadon, because he built him a $20.000, House, at Simcoe, and did not give the Contract to a Norfolk man! and because he furnished the House with $4,000, worth of furniture bought in Buffalo. —

I had a letter from Mr^c Bride last week, I dont believe he will trouble himself in Election mattins, he said so to me the

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last time I saw him in his own Hotel at St Thomas: he feels grateful to you for the very handsome manner in which you treated him: when he was in his difficulties, he assured me he will never forget it to you; as for my humble self, he considers nothing too good for me! — he was first a Conservative, now he is grit. — I will ask him to vote for Armstrong. — —

J. B. McKat wanted from me a promise before hand, that I would give Jack Bolton, Elliots Niagara River fishery, if Bolton voted for him at the approaching Election; that his Committee wished to be informed on the subject. —

I replied that I would not by word act or deed do anything to void his election by making promises, that perhaps I might not afterwards be able to fulfil. — I said Mr Bolton can come up with me and vote for you as I do; I cannot promise a Bribe for voting, the

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بعد ازاں ہم نے اپنی اپنی جگہ پر بیٹھ کر
گفتگو شروع کی۔ ہم نے دیکھا کہ ہر کوئی
اپنی اپنی جگہ پر بیٹھا ہوا ہے۔ ہم نے
دیکھا کہ ہر کوئی اپنی اپنی جگہ پر بیٹھا ہوا ہے
اور ہم نے دیکھا کہ ہر کوئی اپنی اپنی جگہ پر
بیٹھا ہوا ہے

write for the Election is out, to do so would be criminal in the highest degree, not only to me, to you; but to your Committee! And you will please explain to Jack Bishop, and other members of the Committee: what I here say to you on the subject. —

My intention is to go down here to Queenston, same as I did for you at the last Election, day before polling, arrange the votes for you there, vote next morning at Niagara; and come home here and vote for Carpenter! with a big hurrah!!.

I am in great demand just now, in Election matters. — in Brant, Norfolk, Haldimand, Lincoln, Wentworth and Peel! —

Nuttall is opposed by a temperance Lawyer, named Pattison of St. Catherines. —

I hope everything will come right in the end; at Quebec and every place else. — I will write Cameron of Killarney to-day, to write for Dawson of Algoma. —

Emery. And Price and Allison, are warm friends and supporters of Mundinger, and so is Thompson of Port Rowan! —

Dr Hamilton, McKay the Mayor and Adam Brown - Merchant - are the chosen Conservative Candidates - our people say they will be elected in preference to the The Methodist preacher, Burns, and the Knight of Labour; Watkins; but they will have to fight hard! —

I have written to a friend regarding Cameron Muir, Port Elgin, - he will be put in his proper place by David Porter, Wiarton - and by George Smith, Owen Sound - and Lyndsay - Merchant, Southampton, and by Gordon - of the Saugeen Slippers! - What a world this is! —

Sometimes it is those people you think best, who hurt you worst. —

With my warm regards, —

Yours respectfully. —

Hamilton, Ont.
2. January 1887.

John Wilson - J.C.

[illegible] for the Election is not to be so much to minister in the highest degree, not only to me, to you; but to your Committee: but you will please explain to Great Britain, and other members of the Committee: what I have said to you — or the subject. —

My intention is to go from here to Prussia, since as I did for you at the last Election, and I hope perhaps, among the votes for you there, will not meet meaning at Stuttgart; and some time there are votes for Bonpartes, with a big hand!!

I am in great amazement that now in Election matters — in Lippe, Hesse, Cassel, Wurtemberg and Baden! —

Nothing is appeared by a temperance Congress, cause Bettina of the Bettinian. —

I hope everything will come right in the end; at Baden and many places also. —

I will write because of Friedrichsruh to-day, the note for Mannheim of Bismarck. —

Journey. Our thanks and blessings, are now friends and supporters of Bismarckians, and to a Bismarck of Great Bonn! —

In Bismarck, at last, the image and Bonn Bonn — Wurtemberg — on the Bonn — Bonnbaden — on people and they write to Bonn in preference to the Wurtemberg Prussian, Bonn — and the Bonn of Bonn; Wurtemberg; but they write Bonn to Bonn! —

I have written to a friend regarding my German affairs, but Lippe — he write to put in his proper place by Bismarck Bonn, Wurtemberg — and by Bonn — Bonn — and Bonn — Wurtemberg, Bonn Bonn and by Bonn — of the Bonnian Bismarckian! — What a mere this is! —

Bismarckian it is these people you that Bonn with Bonn your mere. —

With my mean regards, —

Yours respectfully, —

Bismarckian — &c.

Bonn, June 1887.

Year 6.---

1886..

May 3rd.	John Bolton, Niagara, Mc Kelly			
	fined for fishing on	sent fine to		It was sent to the
	sunday 2d of May. by the Department,		2. 00,	Fisheries Department,
	Wm Kerby. Esq J. P.—			Ottawa. — —
May. 15th.	John Pettit, Bernard	Mr Cahill	2. 50.	They were fined $5
	Swazie and Albert	J. P. Hamilton	2. 50,	and $4.40 of costs - 1/2
	Swazie of Saltfleet,	sent 1/2 the fine	2. 50,	of which went to
	fined for catching	to the fisheries	"	" the informer. - The other
	trutters with a net.	Department. -	"	" 1/2. to the Department. -
May 27th	James Campbell, of	Mr Jas Cahill,	-	- Mr Campbell was
	Chippewa, 12. mile creek.	J. P. who in-	-	- fined 50, & 3.00 costs. —
	For permitting saw dust	passed the fine	-	- The informer got 1/2
	to enter waters of 12,	$50. and 3 costs,	-	- the fine. F. depart-
	mile creek. - - -	sent 1/2. to dept	25. 00,	ment. the other half.
December 1st	Gilbert P. McDutock,	Fined by Jas:	-	-
	of Milford, Gr Ray,	Stewart Esq	-	- In the case against
	The gulls fine $5.00	J. P. - for having	-	- Mr McDutock, Coroner
	in this case goes to the	the tax of Trout,	-	- Millen and I established
	Department. -	illegally caught,	-	- in the case against him
	I sold the Tax of	in his possession -	-	Coroner Millen would
	Trout, that was confis-	on 22, Nov, 1886,	$ 5. 00.	also hand over this fine
	cated, and amount to	Department.	25. 00,	
				The only fines
Hamilton, Ont,		Total,	$. 64 50.	- paid in !!!
20, January 1887. —				

John W. Kerr

Hamilton. —
Ont

Fines

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Feby 3rd. John Gordon, Foreman, Mill Yard
Fines for fighting on East Pier &
unnecessary 2nd call for the Department 2. 00. Harbour Department
Wheelbarrow hire &c. &c. — Harbour. - -

Feby 15th. John Pettit Gunner Mill Barrier 2. 50. Paid more fines &c
Charge out Pilot & Committee 2. 50. out 4th. Feb. Feb.
Charge of Gallifet Gaff & the fine 2. 50. of Gallifet Gaff to
fines for fighting to the Police " " the superior. Charge
Gaffers with a Pot. Department - " " to the Department.

Feby 27th James Campbell of Mill for Gaffs - - Mill Campbell was
Charge 12 Feb. Feb. & Gaffs - - fines 50 & 8.00 Feb. -
the punishing was that from the fine - - the superior got a
to enter matters of 12. & 50 on 8 Feb. - - the fine. Department
made Feb. - - - Gaff & the cloth 25. 00. Paid the other Feb.

December 4th Gallifet Gaff & Gaffs Gaffs for fine: - -
of Gaffers Mill Department Mill - - the case against
the fine fine & Gaff & Gaffs for Feeding - - Mill Gaffs Gaffers
in the case upon the Gaffs for Gaffs - - Gaffers and Gaffs
Department. - Gaffs Mill Gaffs - - the case against Gaffs
Gaffs the Gaffs of in the possession - - Gaffers Gaffers
Gaffs that was Gaffs on 22 Nov 1886, & 5. 00. also Gaffs upon this fine
Gaffs, was Gaffs to Department. 25. 00.

The only fines &

Gaffs & 6 & 50. & - Paid in !!!

Hamilton, Gaff
20. January 1887. —

Gaffs Gaffers

Hamilton. —
Gaff

Hamilton: Ont.

30. January 1887 —

My dear Brother Cameron! —

Do all you can for Dawson at the approaching Election, and vote for him. — Blind it is your old friend who now advises you to do this. —

I hope Mrs Cameron and you are in good health, enjoying yourselves. —

The Grace Darling, if she had the fish you reported to Ottawa must have got rid of them at Club Island! —

I laid an Embargo at Collingwood Meaford and Wiarton, Owen Sound, &c. and she had not entered any Harbour on Main Land! up to 3rd of December last When I left Collingwood for home. —

It was not true that Captain Wilson had an Apoplectic fit. — It was an old lady friend of his who died from its effects. —

I am well except that on Xmas day I got an Ice fall came nigh breaking my right thigh hurted the cup of right knee the tendons, sinews and muscles, — I escaped by a miracle. — I am recovering slowly: — my knee is very weak and I can only walk with a stick — weak as a child. — I will not [illegible] lamely lame. — My knee is hands up all the time ever since. —

Have got any thing good for an accident of this kind in your locality, if so please send it along. — The Pickets (2) you wrote me about were seized by order from the Department. — —

Give my warm regards and respects to Mrs Cameron and to yourself, paces [illegible] — accept my warm regards as a friend and [illegible] Mason. —

Believe me Yours fraternally, —

John W. Kerr — P.G.

D. Cameron Esq.

F. O. Kelleaney. —

Ont.

Hamilton: Sept

30. January 1887 —

My dear Martha Bannerman —

Yes — we are now in Ottawa at the appointed location, but not for long — what it is upon the present site now remains yet to be seen. —

I hope all Bannerman are in good health, enjoying themselves.

The Queen Jubilee of the last of that year reported to Ottawa must have got lost of them at Bad Island.

I have an Indenture at Bellingham Magnet and Marion, from Grand Trunk and she has not entered any Harbour or allow clear up to 3rd of November last when I left Bellingham for home. —

It was not the [illegible] that on departing. It was on the very [illegible] that the wife has from the effects.

I am well except that an illness and I do feel some sight hearing and sight tight. Under the sup of sight the tissue causes in muscles — I suppose for a [illegible]. I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] is very much use I am only [illegible] but much as a [illegible]. I write not — [illegible] home. — [illegible] up all the time our house. — [illegible] not anything good for an [illegible] of the time in your locality if so please send it along. The Photo you wrote me about some days by rain from the Department. ---

Give my warm regards and respects to the Bannerman and to yourself, [illegible] — [illegible] my warm regards as a friend and [illegible] the [illegible]. —

Believe me Yours Faithfully.

Hamilton — Ont.

Bannerman Esq.

Ont.

I. O. Hallowell. —

Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.
30. January 1887.—

My dear Friend.—

It is my greatest wish and desire that you do all in your power to return Mr. Armstrong for East Elgin at the approaching Election.

Sir, John A.— and the present Government expect East Elgin,— will do her duty this time.— I feel satisfied you will do so, by placing Mr. Armstrong at the head of the polls.— With my kind and warm regard to your esteemed father, and your noble self.— Believe me.

Yours faithfully,—

John W. Kerr.— J.P.

John Price Esq.
Merchant.—
Port Stanley,—
Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.
30. January 1887.—

My dear Friend and Brother!—

It is my wish and ~~great~~ desire that you do all in your ~~power~~ to return Mr. Armstrong for East Elgin.— Sir, John A. and the present Government expect Elgin East will do her duty ~~this~~ time! and I feel satisfied you will do so by placing him at the head of the polls!— With my warm and kind regards! believe me.—

Yours sincerely,—
and fraternally.—

John W. Kerr.— J.P.

Capt.
John Allison Jr.
Pt. Stanley, Ont.

Hamilton, Sept

30. January 1887.—

My dear friend.—

It is my greatest wish and desire that you or all in your power to return the Hunting for Sept. Lapin at the appreaching Election.

Sir John A. and the present Government expect that Lapin will do her duty this time.—I feel satisfied you will do so by placing the Hunting at the head of the poll.— With my thanks and warm regard to your esteemed father and your noble self.— believe me.

Yours faithfully.—

John Sims Leaf

Hamilton.— &c.

Sept

Hamilton, Sept

30. January 1887.—

My dear friend and brother!—

It is my wish and my great desire that you or all in your power to return the Hunting for Sept Lapin.—

Sir John A. and the present Government expect Lapin that will do her duty this time! and I feel satisfied you will do so by placing him at the head of the poll!— With my warm and thanks yours! believe me.—

Yours sincerely.—

and fraternally.—

Chas Hamilton.—

&c.

Sept

The Honour &c

Mr Hamilton, Sept

Hamilton: Ont.
3. January 1887.

My dear Albert. —

I met Bob Bishop on Tuesday last on Train from the Bridge to Hamilton, he told me you would make out his return, and send it to me: — I also want Pat. Moran & Co.— return. —

Please make out and send me at once, — and oblige!

Yours truly, —
John W. Kerr —
F.O.

Mr Albert Ball,
Fisherman:
Niagara.

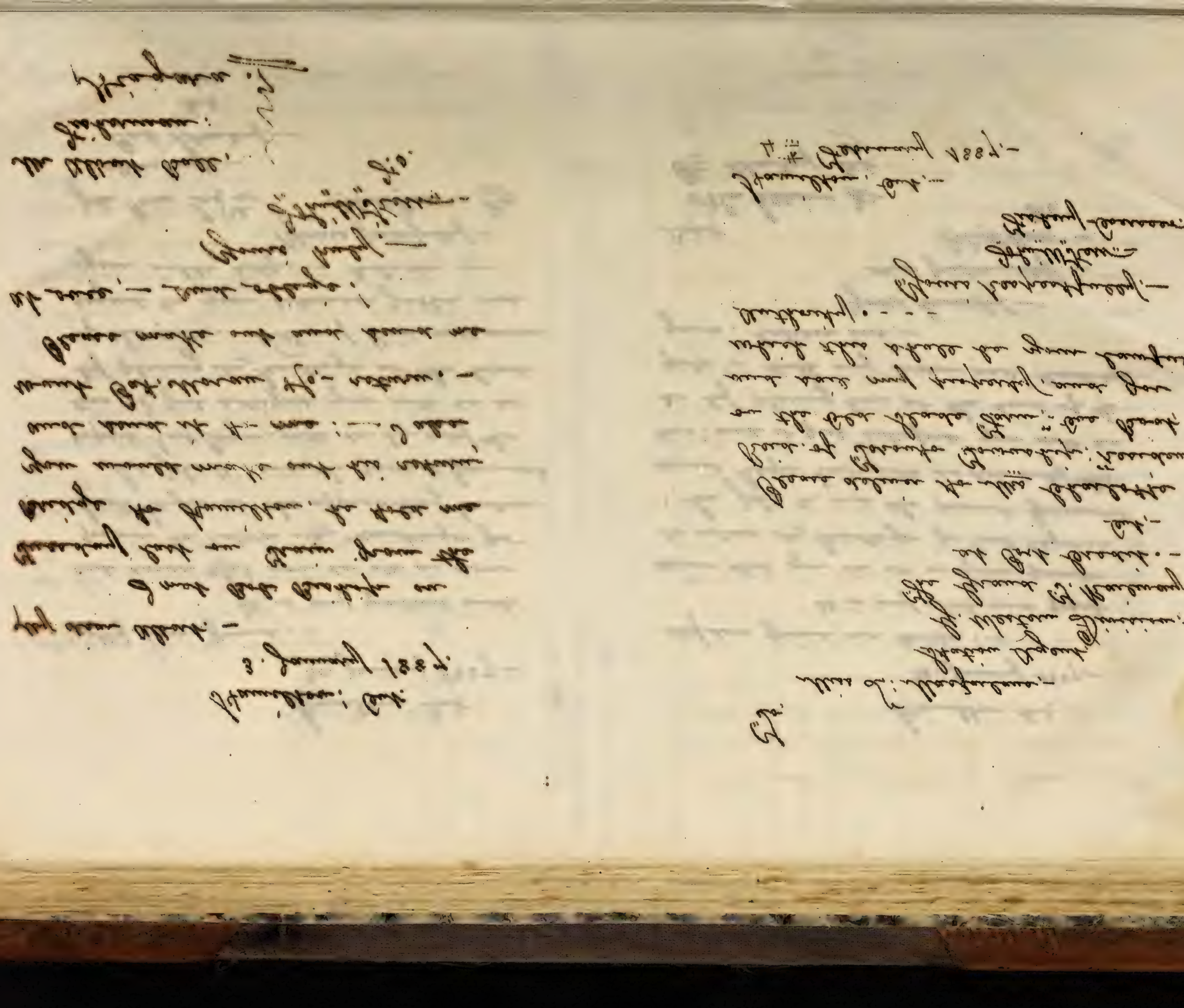
To,

Miss L: Macfarlane, —
Station Agent,
G. Western Division, of
The Grand T. Railway, —
at Port Credit. —
Ont, —

Please deliver to Mrs Charlotte Reid, of Toronto Township: "Resident on the Old Slade Farm" One Boat, and sail my property, and for which this shall be your lawful Authority. — —

Yours Respectfully, —
John W. Kerr —
Fishery Overseer. —

Hamilton, Ont, —
4th February 1887. —



Hamilton, Ont.—
4. February 1887.—

My dear Brother Gordon! —

It has been communicated to me that ex Fishery Inspector James Muir, of Port Elgin, has been circulating that he was dismissed for Political Motives!.

Such was not the case! he was dismissed for Gross neglect of duty, as you may well remember, and you may now give me as your authority. The report is got up to hurt the Premier in his Election; please pour it down! Remember how he aided me in procuring pay for you for building the Fishways. I hope you are all well and doing well. — And with my warm regards and respects! believe me! — (Yours fraternally.—

George Gordon Esq. Langeen Rapids Mills P.O. Near Southampton, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.
4. February 1887.—

My dear Sir,—

I send you a Blank form for you to fill up with all your fishing material; and fish caught by you during the year ending 31st December 1886.—

Will you be pleased to fill up, and return to me at once. —

I hope you Stand well family, are — good health. — And with kind regards, — (Yours truly. —

John Wilkes. —
P.S.

John Stand
Gravely.—
Ont.

Hamilton: Oct.

4. February 1857.

My dear Brother George! —

It has been communicated to me that by Christmas Income Assessment of Co. Tipp. has been substituting that it was at instance for Official authority!

that was not the case! It was dis missed for gross neglect of duty, as you may well know for, since you may well remember you gave me as your authority. The report is got up to shift the blame on his Master! I have gone at them! Remember how to make me in pressing for you. By building the Christmas! I hope you are all well and doing well. — But write my own reports — and respects! believe me! —

Your affectionately —

George Barker Esq. Ballybritten Co. Tipp.

Hamilton: Oct.

4. February 1857.

My dear Sir, —

I send you a Blank form for you to fill up with all your Farming matters; and hope enough for you during the year ending 31st December 1856.

Will you be pleased to fill up and return to me at once. —

I hope you, Mr. Hare and family are in good health. — But write first opportunity. —

Your truly. —

Richd. Griffith —

Co.

George Barker Esq.
Ballybritten
Co. Tipp.

Memor — for P. Bouchette Esq. C.M.
Indian Department, —
Ottawa. Oct. [illegible]

[illegible] are [illegible] in your remarks
[illegible] Snooks [illegible] Turkey [illegible] but attending to
[illegible] business [illegible] wards. But he knew — he got so
low down [illegible] his [illegible] had to apply
to the Town [illegible] Council of Charlottevilla
in which he lives — for relief! — He has no
influence whatever! —

I saw Sharp [illegible] Pt. Dover on last Monday
a week ago; where I went to see him about his
annual returns, — and James Cowholt, a fisherman
at Port [illegible] dale! — I got Cowholt to vote for
Billy Morgan; beat Mr. O.O. — who had 142,
majority, over Charltons brother, the other day.
Cowholt has been a reformer all his life un=
til Morgans Election! — Mr. — Fish dealer of
Buffalo: first told me last year, Cowholt
would vote conservative if his fishing

ground was secured to him, a place he
held under license for six years, — "you know
all about it already," — at least Sharp told
me so. — — I arranged with Sharpe that
Cowholt is not to be disturbed! the fact is,
I cannot see how he could. —

A man named Hutchinson sold out
his farm, in front of which in the "Dover
Bay" above St. Williams — Cowholt fished.
Woodward who bought out Hutchinson
got round Sharpe in some way or
another, and so he was all for Woodward
at first, — I advised Cowholt to see Mr.
Hutchinson and find out from him if his
land did not terminate at the top of
the high bank, and he done so, and he as=
certained from Hutchinson; that such
was the case, and more over that he
never owned the beach; where Cowholt
hauled in; and so the matter now
rests. — — —

Now, for Snooks, — and the 50 votes!.

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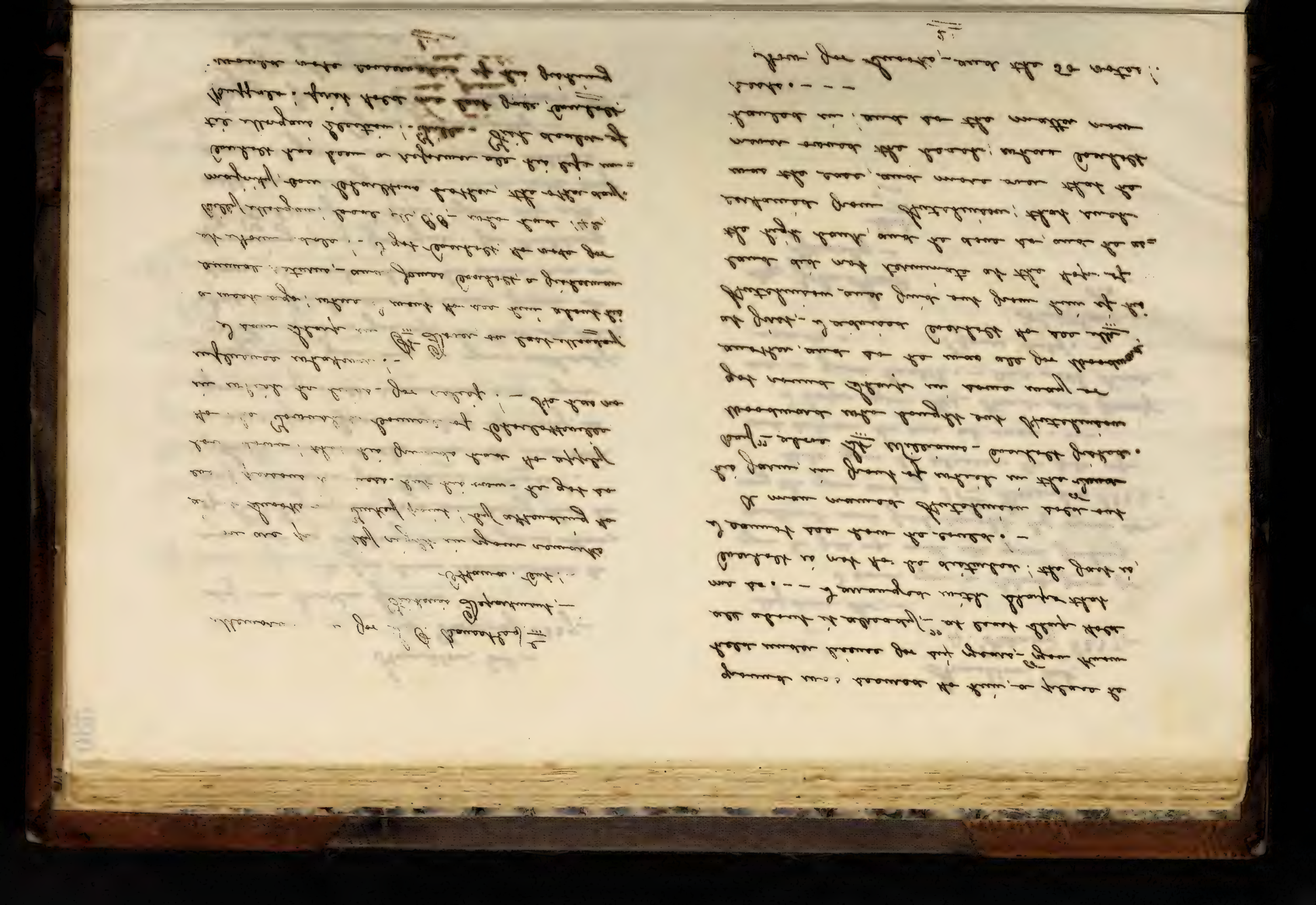
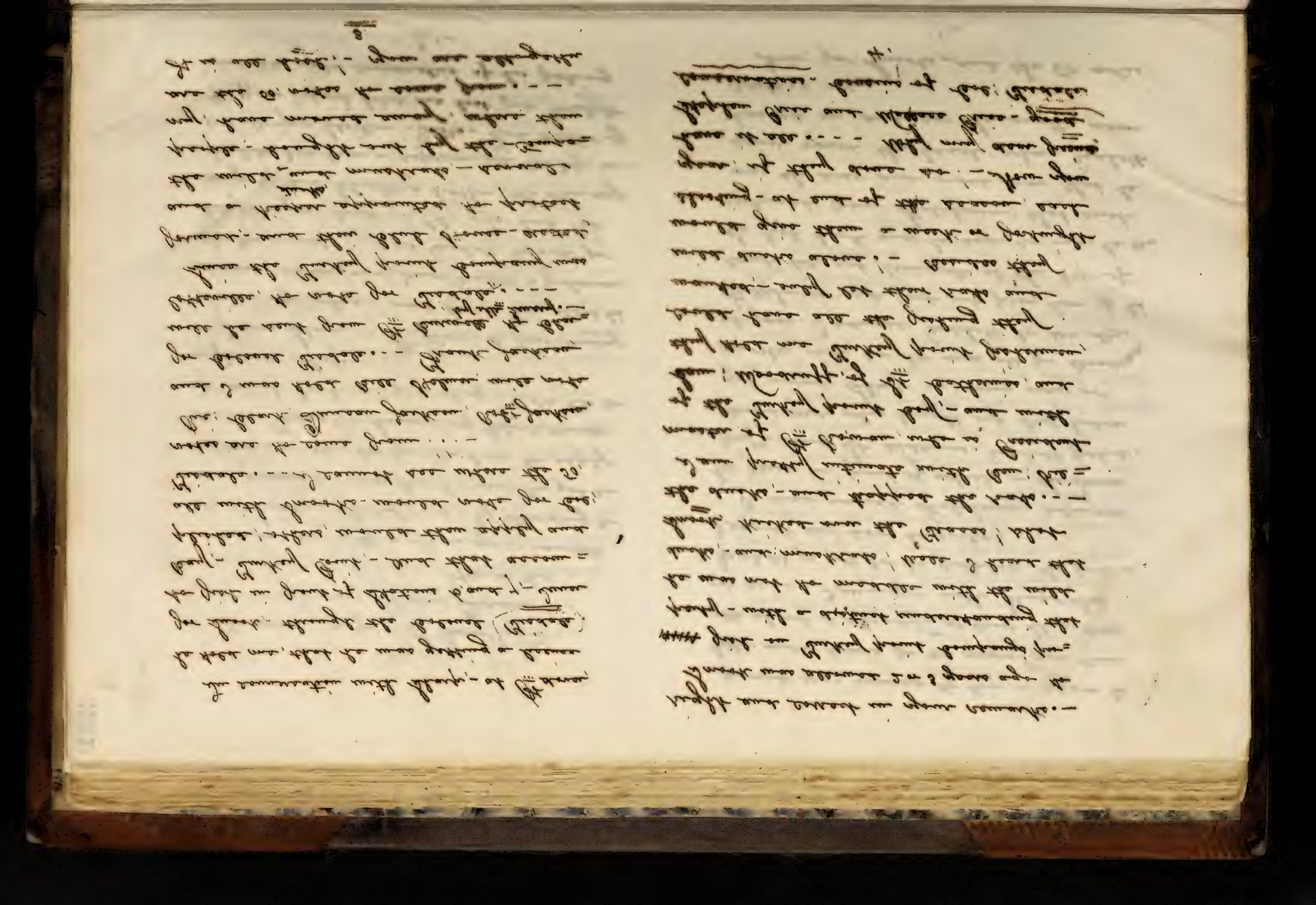


In conversation with Sharp, at Ft Dover, he told me, that he was getting a license for Snook, through the Colonel (Tisdale), to fish in front of Stations 6, and 7, Tower Bay, Turkey Point, And that accomplished; others, would then apply and all with Snooks would vote for Col; Tisdale. . . . I cannot see where the 50, votes are to come from ! ! . —

Ric; Clark Duncan Jackson, Robt Jackson, and I was told Bill Helmer will vote for Colonel Tisdale. . . Frank Jackson will be sent from Ft Burwell to Charlottaville, to vote for Tisdale, by Mr Emery. — . . .

Since the Turkey point Company was formed, and their Club House erected, and a keeper appointed to protect the wild ducks, and muskrats, — several people, bought out by the Company, have moved away, where than are the 50, votes to come from. . . — It is all bosh ! — you are altogether right and correct in your remarks. —

Snook was allowed 2 or 3 years ago to fish on Turkey point Company's property, — with a distinct understanding that he was not to meddle with the wild ducks, and muskrats; but I heard that Snook, kicked over the traces ! shot the ducks, and trapped the rats. . . — I am pretty intimate with Ben: Kilmaster of Ft Rowan, who is President of the Turkey point Co, — and with Sam: Woodruff, of St Catherines, and they told me Turkey point fishermen, could have all the fishing they wanted, — only let their rats and wild ducks alone ! — Besides they would give them a week or fortnight shooting, at end of the season, each year, if they done so ! — Now you have it all. . . . Why my dear friend Stephen Price and Wallace Price, — good Conservatives, — Cousins of Col: Tisdale



And punters on Long Point - say they will not vote for the Colonel, whose mother was their Aunt. - -

It will be a hard Tussel with Mr Ferguson - in Welland. -

Every thing goes on right in South Wentworth! - and Hamilton will be a Glorious fight. - - - And thank the Lord for all his mercies! H. L. Kilaut is appointed Collector of Customs in Hamilton! -

Yours with profound respect, and warm regard. —

John Ware. —

Hamilton! Ont.
4. February 1887.

F. S.

5.

James Hamilton Esqre
Merchant -

Port Credit! - Ont. -

My dear Sir!

Yours received! since your previous letter was received! I have seen young Reid, and he assured me he would vote for Mr Cullen. - I had a letter from the father to the same effect. - They are aware of what might happen if they turned Traitors to our Glorious cause!

I will write them again this day. - -

Please get our friend Woolcock to attend to them! he is a stalwing, sound fellow in all things. - - I have been so kind to them, that I cant see why they would vote against their own interest. -

Hoping you are well, and wishing success to Sir Jno, - and our cause! - I am

Hamilton! Ont,
16. Feb: 1887.

Yours Sincerely, -
John Ware.

but pursues an along track - say they
will not note for the future unless
matter was thus hurt. - -
It will be a true Grace with the
Marquess - in Withdrawal. -
Young thing goes on right in Scott
Hamilton! - but Hamilton will be a
glorious fight. - - - but think the
cost for all his mercies! Oh! Hilbert
is appointed Bailiff of Dunbar in
Hamilton! -
Yours with profound respect
and warm regard. -
Jas Hamilton
Esq.

Hamilton! Sat
4. February 1837.

Dear

James Hamilton Esqre
Waterhouse -

Dear Friend! - But -
why alone Sir!
Yours received! Since yours
previous letter was received: I have been
young Lord, and he assures me he would
note for Wilhelmina. - I have a letter from
the Duke to the same effect. Only on
account of what might happen if they
turned Chartist to our Glorious cause!
I will write them again this day. -
Please get our friend Wardlaw to
attend to them! He is a strong tower
Zion in all things. - I have been so
thus to them, that I cant see why they
would note against their own interest. -
Hoping you are well, and wishing to
see Mr his Son - and our cause! - I am
Hamilton! Sat Yours sincerely! -
16. Oct: 1837. Jas Hamilton

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Februa[illegible] 7,

[illegible]

[illegible] received [illegible] letters
[illegible] been kept so busy,
with m[illegible] and [illegible] and waiting for my
[illegible] able to [illegible] the com-
plaints of my [illegible] and been so ac-
cident and get the [illegible] personally from the
Johnsons myself as always does heretofore. — My knee was bad enough, but it is a most fortunate thing it was not a great deal worse. — I get tired at writing, however, is it not a great thing for me that neither my hand, my heart nor my head are hurted. I am getting on slowly, able to walk, after a child like gait. But then I feel I am getting well; my knee is [illegible] and [illegible] a day [illegible] [illegible] my [illegible]

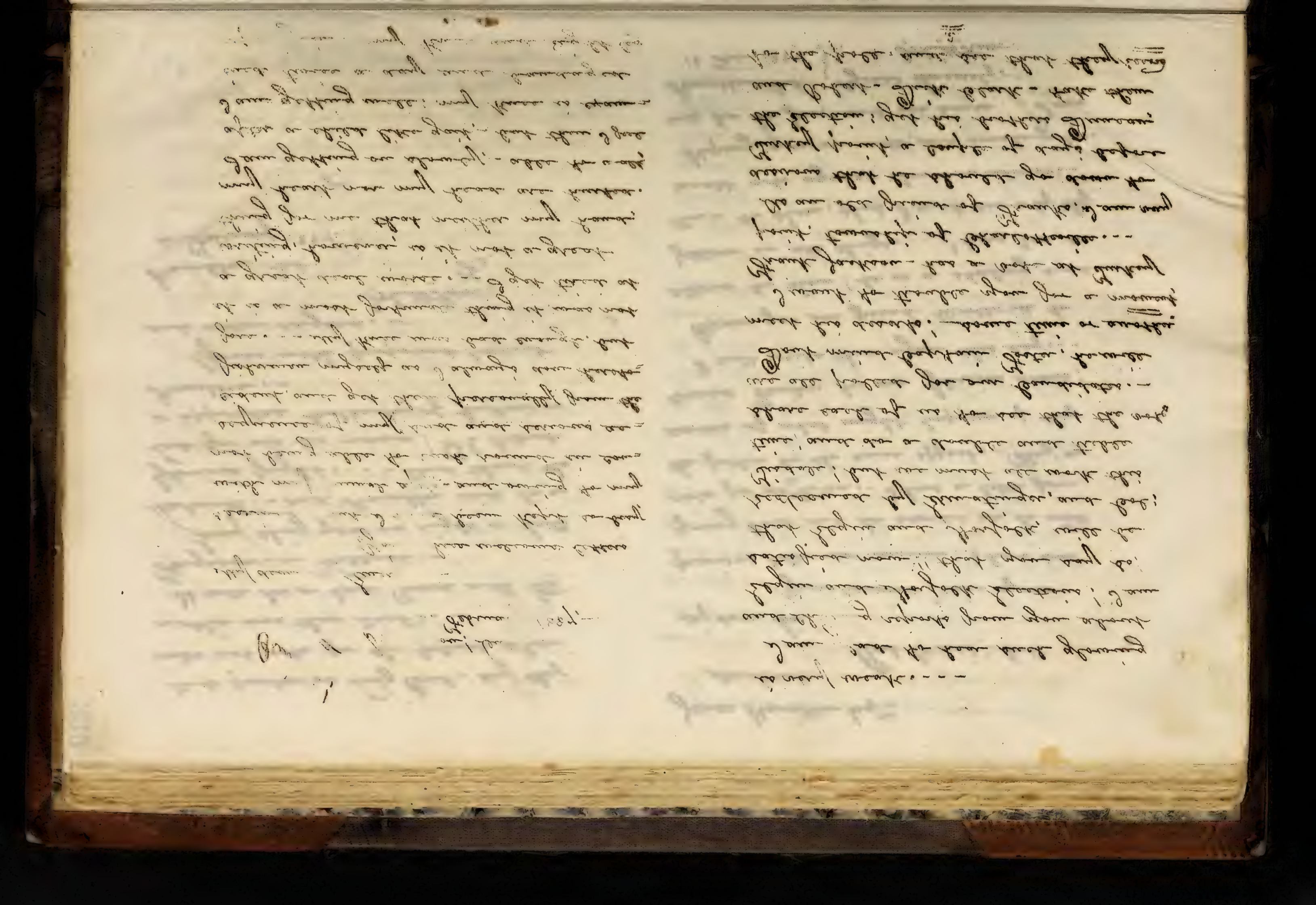
is very weak. — —

I am sad to hear such glowing and ch[illegible]g reports from you about Elgin and Norfolk Electoral; I am satisfied now! that you say so, that Elgin and Norfolk, will be redeemed by Ermatinger, and Col; Tisdale; but we must all work this time and do a double and treble share each of us to see that the vote, we all polled for our Candidates. —

Dont mind Captain Foster, he will meet his deserts! — some time or another.

I want to trouble you for a moment, Frank Jackson — has a vote at Turkey point, township of Charlotteville. —

As an old friend of Franks, I am very desirous that he should go down to Turkey point, a couple of days before the Election; get his brothers Duncan, and Robert — Dick Clark — take them to the polls, and see that they record



their votes for Sir John A. Macdonalds candidate! Col: David Tisdale...

Will you be pleased to tell my old friend and Acquaintance of 21. years! as a fisherman Francis Jackson, That I sincerely hope he will oblige me by voting for the Colonel.—

I had a letter from Mr. Dawning lately.— Please tell Frank what he asks for, will be granted.—

And will you be please to give Frank $10,— to take him to Turkey point, to see his friends,— I will pay it back, when I come up!—

I am kept busy at Election matters myself; I dont attend meetings but I canvass. On Friday,— I expect to be at Turkey pt and in St. Catherines on tomorrow.—

I owe you an apology,— for not writing sooner.— It is always a great pleasure to hear from such a sterling friend.— Hoping victory will be Sir John A's all

on the 22nd all over the Dominion!— When! — We will toast and sing, God save the Queen!—

And Auld lang syne!—

I have a great deal of News for you: I saw your friend Sharp,— and I had a chat with him about Swan's license.— I am pleased at learning that you are all well,— and that you expect Mrs Emery home this week.—

Kindly remember me to my young friends! your son and daughters.—

And to Mrs Emery.— Except myself, we are all well, and you will say; perhaps, he cant be so very bad; when he writes such a long letter.—

I am only at ease when I am in bed, or have my leg stretched full length.—

With my warm regards to you personally, and success to our cause, & the Candidates.— Yours truly..

John W. Kerr Jr.

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Hamilton, Ont.
9. Feby 1888

My dear Sir!

I took a run down to St. Catharines to see you to-day, and o[illegible] in [illegible] you a copy of your Turkey Point Company's Charter; under which you are the owners and occupants of certain portions of Turkey point marsh and the public waters of the inner Bay at Turkey point. Set apart by the Dominion Government in year past as Lease for fishing grounds. The more immediate cause of my applying to you just at this present time is that Mr. [illegible] a fisherman at Turkey point, has app[illegible] to the Deputy Minister of Fisheries, to [illegible] the Mr. D. Sharp, of Port Ryerse, the local Fishery Officer; for a same license to fish in the Inner Bay, opposite fishing stations 7 and 8, which is near Point de Grass. The matter has been referred to

(1.)

me in report thereon by the Deputy Minister of Fisheries!! who enquires of me if the granting of this license to Brooks will in any way interfere with the Charter rights of the Turkey point Company, or is it objected to by your Company. Will you be pleased to answer as soon as possible.

Obliged

Yours respectfully,
John Wise
Fishery Overseer.

Samuel D. Woodruff Esq.
President of the Turkey
Point Chartered Coy.
St. Catharines, Ont.

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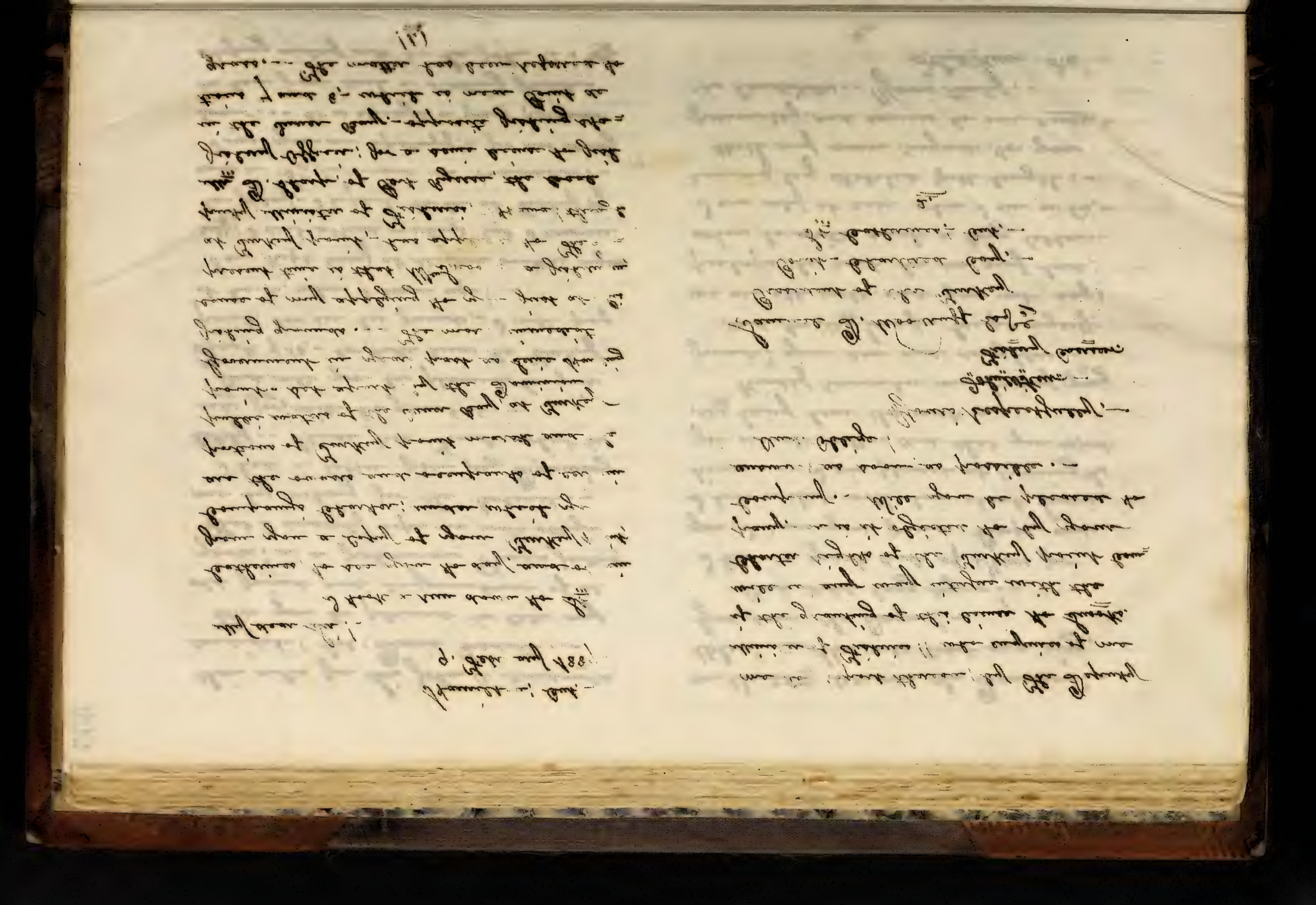


Hamilton. Ont. –
10. February 1887. –

Sir. –

I have to report that on yesterday I was in the City of St Catherines, when my attention was drawn to a Grocer there, named John Hey, and boy who were selling very small pickled white fish: in fact the Young of White fish; which is in contravention of the Fisheries Act. – –

Having satisfied myself beyond a doubt that such was the case: I sent Peter Hatha fisherman, who purchased from John Hey. for me, one of the small pails of pickled white fish, for $1.20¢. which I now send you that you may examine these small white fish, personally yourself: and then become satisfied how our young white fish have become depleted in Lake Huron, – near Sarnia. – – –

I took the lid of the pail, and I examined the fish on the top therein; which satisfied me that these immature small white fish, should not under any circumstances, be caught, pickled nor sold; nor be sent broad cast all over the country for sale. –

From the way in which the pail is got up: I might judge that a flourishing and profitable trade has been carried on. – – The address on the pail: is "Family White fish, Hile and Co. – Sarnia". –

Beyond what I have here related, I know nothing: – I will not proceed further in the case until I receive your instructions to do so. – My impression is that every effort should be made by the Department, to prosecute Hile and Hey, – of Sarnia; who ever he is; and all those engaged in the wanton destruction, and illegal traffic of our young white fish. –

The Deputy Minister, Respectfully Submitted. –
Department of Fisheries, John W. Kerr. – F.O. –
Ottawa: Ont. –

Copy. When you examine the fish I send the Department this day: – you will be able to instruct me, in the matter. – S. Wilmot. F.O.

Hamilton, Ont.

Dear Sir,

10. February 1887.

I have to report that on yesterday I was in the hold of the Bothwell, when my attention was drawn to a flower that resembled John Hoy's wife. He was selling small female pattern white fish. In front the flowing of white fish, which is in contravention of the Fishery Act. --

Having satisfied myself beyond a doubt that such was the case, I sent Peter Johnson, the policeman, with Thomas John Hoy. For me, one of the small fish of pattern white fish for $1.20 which I have sent you that you may examine these small white fish personally yourself: and then because satisfied how are young white fish have become depleted in Lake Huron - near Barrie. ---

I took the bag of the fish, and I examined the fish on the top thereon; which satisfies me that these immature small white fish, should not under any circumstances, be caught, pattern nor sold; nor do I think there last all over the country for sale. --

When the way in which the fish is put up, I might judge that a flourishing and profitable trade has been carried on. -- The address on the fish is Family White Fish, Alpha and So. - Barrie."

Judge or what I have has related, I know nothing: I will not proceed further in the case until Barrie you with notice to do so. - My impression is that every effort should be made by the Department to prevent this and any - of Barrie, who are so; that all other engaged in the wanton destruction and illegal traffic of our young white fish. -

The Department admits. Respectfully submitted. -

Department of Fisheries, Ottawa: Sept. - Pelletier. - &c.

Memo: for S. P. Bassett Esq. M.P.
Fisheries Department,
Ottawa: Ont, —

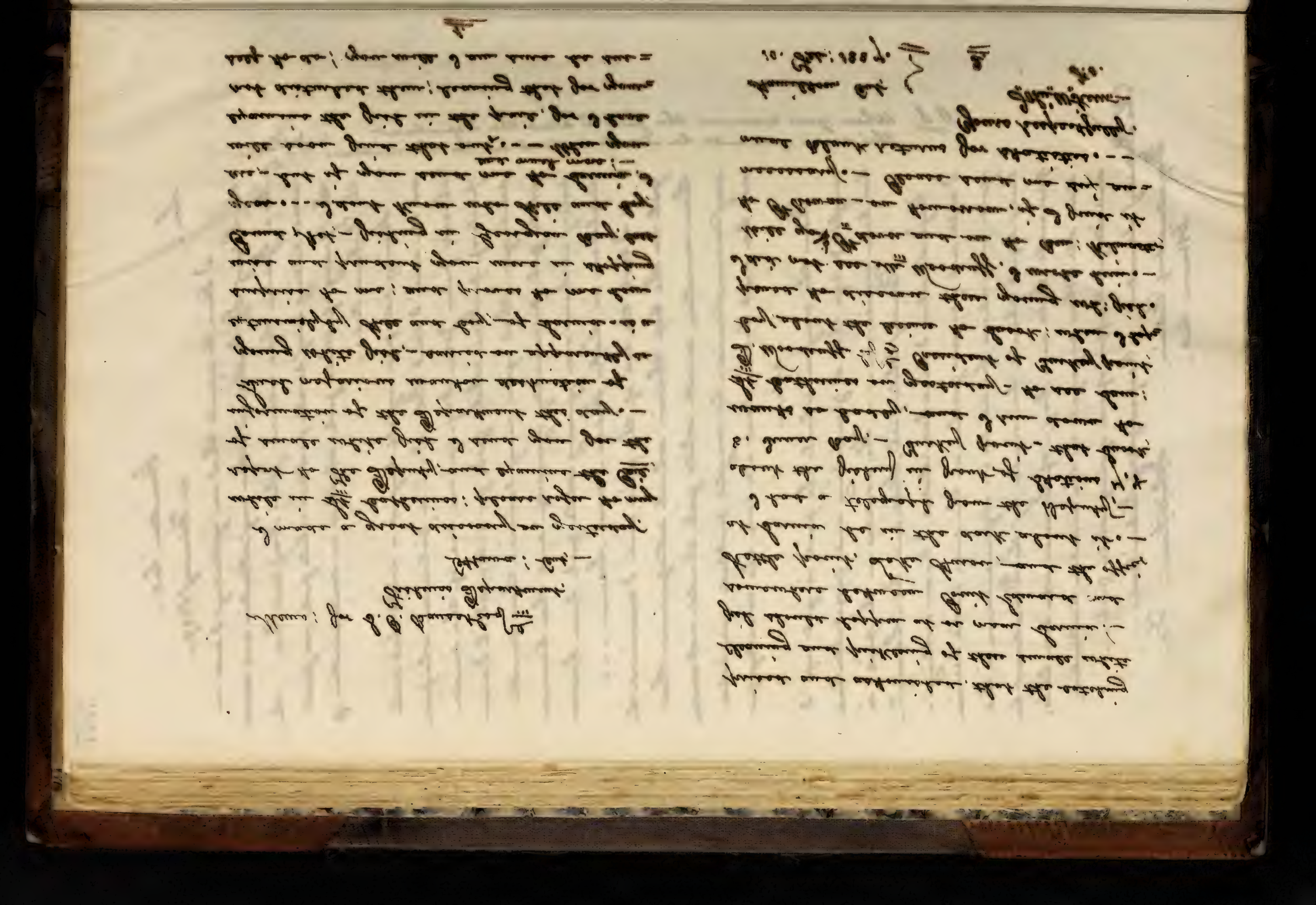
I made a great discovery on yesterday, while in St. Catherines: please refer to my report to The Deputy, and examine the Coil of small white fish I send you for the information of the Department this day. —

Such nefarious wanton destruction of young white fish, — carried on apparently so extensively by Kile and Coy, — of Sarnia — is a surprise to me; and proves to me how wise and prudent you were in stopping Canad Net — fishing in Georgian Bay, last year. — I dont know who Kile and Coy are, — but if you send me to Sarnia, I will soon find that out, and much more! — When you examine the fish in the pail, for I have not disturbed them; leaving that for yourself to do; you will I am sure be surprised and astonished, that the catching cleaning and pickling of these small white fish should happen at or near Sarnia! — somewhere between Point Edward and Kettle point, Lake Huron, — and the officers at Sarnia be in the dark about it. —

I had a telegraph from the Deputy, — about the fishery in front of Stations 7, & 8. Inner Bay, — Turkey point — that Scott, wants so badly, — and I run down to St. Catherines on yesterday — to see Sam: D. Woodruff Esq. President of Turkey point, Coy, about the licence to Scott; when I happened to discover these young wh: fish. I did not see Mr. Woodruff. I wrote him. — Will you P. down and see Mr. Kilmaster, to P. Rowan — on tomorrow, if I find it necessary. — Please send me duf annual blank returns for statistics. — —

Yours respectfully,
John W. Kerr
M.P.

Hamilton, Ont,
10. Feb: 1887.



Hamilton! Ont. –

Sir. –

12. February 1887. –

I received your Telegraph of the 8th instant, and in reply I have to report that on the 9th instant, I proceeded to St Catharines to see Mr Sam: D. Woodruff, President of Turkey point Company. – Failing to find him at home! I wrote him thus: –

Copy. –

Hamilton! Ont. –

My dear Sir. –

9. February 1887. –

I took a run down to St Catharines today, and obtain from you a copy of your Turkey point Company's Charter, under which you are the owners and occupants of certain portions of Turkey point, marsh and the public waters of the Dunce Bay at Turkey point, set apart by the Fisheries Department in years past, as Seine hauling fishing grounds. – – –

The more immediate cause of my applying to you just at this present time is! that William Snook, a fisherman at Turkey point, has applied to The Deputy Minister of Fisheries, Ottawa! through Mr D. Sharp, of Port Rysse, the local fishery officer; – "For a seine license to fish in the Dunce Bay, opposite fishing stations 7, and 8, – which is near Point de grass." – –

The matter has been referred to me by The Deputy Minister of Fisheries, who enquires of me, if the granting of this license to Snook, will in any way interfere with the Charter rights of the Turkey point Company, or is it objected to by your Company.

Will you be pleased to answer as soon as possible. – – –

Yours Respectfully, –

John W. Kerr. –

Fishery Overseer.

Sam^e D. Woodruff Esq^e

President of

Turkey Point Chartered

Company, – St Catharines. –

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Hamilton! Ont. –

Sir. – 12. February 1887. –

I received your telegraph of the 8th instant, and in reply I have to report that on the 9th instant I proceeded to the Bottlenose to see the Hon. G. Mowatt, President of Gurney Point Company. – Acting to your wish at home I wrote him thus: –

Copy. – Hamilton! Ont. –

Dear Sir. – 9. February 1887. –

I took a run down to the Bottlenose today and obtain from you a copy of your Gurney Point Company's Charter, under which you are the owners and occupants of certain portions of Gurney Point, and the public waters of the shores bay at Gurney Point, but report by the Fisheries Department in your favor as being holding fishing grounds. – – –

The more immediate cause of my applying to you just at this present time is: that William Grant, a fisherman of Gurney Point, has applied to the Deputy Minister of Fisheries, Ottawa: through the Dept. of Fort Hope, the local fishery officer: – for a licence to fish in the shores bay, opposite fishing stations 7, and 8, which is near Grant's place. – –

The matter has been referred to me by the Deputy Minister of Fisheries, who enquires of me, if the granting of this licence to Grant, will in any way interfere with the liberties rights of the Gurney Point Company, or is it objected to by your Company. While you be pleased to answer as soon as possible. – – –

Hon. G. Mowatt Esq. Yours respectfully, –
President of
Gurney Point Incorporated
Company. – John Hewson –
Gurney Ontario

Sir.

And in reply, I received today - - - - - - - James Mr Woodruff the following answer, on my return home from Turkey point where I had gone to on yesterday. - -

Copy: thus: -

John W. Kerr Esqre St Catherines. -
Fishery Overseer, - February 11th 1887, -
Hamilton! - Dear Sir, -

Regret that I was not home when you called. - - Its requested send you copy of Bill, incorporating Turkey point Company. -

Granting licenses of fishing births Nos: 7, and 8, near Point de Grass, to Wm Snooks, or any others: will very seriously interfere with our shooting on Turkey point marsh, for which object the property is held. -

Such properties require to be free from interruptions; Its waterfowl going to such marshes are scared and driven off through men pursuing their calling upon such coasts. - -

I trust that you may see the necessity of not recommending their lease. - But should it be decided, to lease the fishing births heretofore laid off in the Inner Bay, along the Marshes of Turkey point I request that under the circumstances an offer of the births at a nominal rental be made to the Turkey point Company, which will probably be more than is realised from their occupation by several licenses. - - -

Yours very truly.
(Signed) S. D. Woodruff. - -

I further report that I proceeded on yesterday to Port Dover, saw Overseer Sharp. there; who is so very desirous that Wm Snook, should get this license from you. - From Port Dover, I proceeded to

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Dear in reply, I received today ------ from Mr Broadwoff the following answer, on my return home from Shirley Point where I had gone to on yesterday ---

Copy: thus: —

John M. Ross Esqre Mr Bertheuse. —
Shirley Cottage, — February 11th 1887. —

Hamilton: — Dear Sir, —

Regret that I cannot have when you called. — to respected bearer copy of bill, incorporating Shirley Point Company. — Granting licence of fishing limits also: I, and 8, near Point of Pines, to Mr Ellwood, or any other: while very seriously interfere with our claiming on Shirley Point market, for which object the property is held. —

Such properties require to be free from restrictions; the mortgagees going to such markets are bound and driven off through now pursuing their calling upon such beach. — —

I trust that you may see the necessity of not recommending this lease. — But should it be decided to lease the fishing limits therefore laid off in the above Bay, along the adjacent of Shirley Point, I request that under the circumstances an offer of the limits at a nominal rental be made to the Shirley Point Company, which will probably be more than is realised from their occupation by licensed licensees. — —

Yours very truly.

(Signed) J. D. Broadwoff. — —

I further report that I proceeded on yesterday to Cat Cove, from Grassy Bay. Thus: who is so very desirous that Mr Ellwood should get this licence from you. — From Cat Cove, I proceeded to

Turkey point, where I saw Wm. Snook, and Duncan Jackson, - who fished heretofore on Stations Nos: 5. ½. of 6, - 7, and 8, - Inner Bay under licenses from the Department. -- Wm. Snook, told me that last year, he lent or loaned his seine to a Punter of the Turkey point Company, David Streeter, to go and fish on Stations Nos: 7, and 8, - Streeter done so! this was on the 5th of April 1886! - and Streeter caught fish,

The next day Burt, Reeves, - The Keeper of Turkey point Company, called on Wm. Snooks, - and told him not to fish there any more! - Snooks seine was fishing at the time referred to, under no licence from the Department?" - -

Duncan Jackson, fisherman, of Turkey point, with a seine, fished last year 1886. on Station Nos: 5, and on ½ of station No: 6, - without having a licence from the Fisheries Department. -- Jackson fished in April, before "close season" for Bass & Pickerel commenced. He was ordered by Mr. Henry Harris Groff, of Simcoe, who is Secretary of the Turkey point Company not to fish there any more. - -

Both Snook and Jackson, - told me on yesterday, that as soon as Overseer Sharp, obtained the licence from you for them; they would pull up the stakes driven in the Inner Bay, on the fishing stations 40 chains out in the public waters from the shore, as these stakes would hinder their Seine hauling. -

These stakes I presume were driven by the Turkey point Company, to mark the extent of their boundary out in the public waters of the Inner Bay.

With the foregoing facts, - I now finish my report by enclosing Bill of an Act to Incorporate the Turkey point Company. -

Respectfully Submitted. -

3. John W. Kerr. - Y. Overseer.

Dunfermline Parish, where I have Mr Smart, and Simeon Jackson, write Police Paragraphs on detections who: 5. & 6. Section 8. whose Duty number licenses from the Department. -- Mr Smart, tell me that last year, he had a license his name to a Master of the Dunfermline Temperance Theatre, to go out Pint on detections who: Section 8. Theatre closed on the 5th of April 1886! and Theatre caught fire.

The next day Smart, Cleaner. The keeper of Dunfermline Temperance Hall or Mr Smart. and tell him not to fight there any more. - Smart denies was fight at the time referred to, under no license from the Department?" -

Simeon Jackson, Patrolman, of Dunfermline Parish with a license, Police last year 1886. on detection who: 5 and 6 of detection who: 6. - without having a license from the Inland Department. -- Jackson Police in April, before "Glen Rosey" for Beer & Drinks consumed. He was ordered by Mr Henry Morris Sheriff of Dunfermline Secretary of the Dunfermline Temperance not to fight there any more. - -

Both Smart and Jackson. - tell me on oath = testing, that as soon as Cameron Shop, obtained the license from you for them; they would pull up the shutters screen in the lower Shop, on the finishing detection, to claim out in the public matters from the others as these shutters would hinder them doing business. -

These shutters 3 premises were shown by the Dunfermline Temperance, to mark the extent of their Premises not in the public matters of the lower Shop.

With the foregoing facts. I now finish my report by enclosing bills of sale to substantiate the Dunfermline Temperance. -

Respectfully submitted. -

3. Dunfermline. - D. Cameron

Memo; for L. P. Bouset Esqre
Fisheries Department,
Ottawa, Ont.

Your Memo; and ornamental "Close season" cards received and for wh. I thank you. I send my report today on this Snook licence matter; in reply to the Deputy Ministers Telegraph. -- I just confined myself to the questions asked. -- Tried to see Mr. Sam: D. Woodruff and failed. -- Wrote him, received his answer; and now have sent copies of the same to The Deputy. Pending the receipt of Woodruffs reply to my letter I started for Turkey point, a dreadful day it was; for I wanted to find out for your why Sharp - should be urging the Department to grant this licence to Snook, and what other objects Snooks had in view about these 50 voters. - And if there had been any collusion between Turkey point fishermen,

and the Turkey point company, -

The statement I received from Snook and and Duncan Jackson - embodied in my report to The Deputy Minister will enlighten you on this subject; and it proves conclusively that Snook and Jackson, are eager for the fray. -

I telegraphed for Sharp, to meet me at Port Dover, on Friday morning last when the Train from here arrived there. - I was on my way to Turkey point, on the outskirts of the Town, when I met him, he tried to persuade me not to go to Turkey point. -- I replied; I always obey orders, and off I went, he also said to me Snook will vote for the Colonel whether he gets the licence or not! -- and so will all the other fishermen as I was told by Snooks, Duncan Jackson, and Dick Clark, at Turkey point on last friday. -- Now it is that Robert Jackson Duncan Jackson, Frank Jackson, who is

[illegible] Gemeinde Frankfurt.

Frankfurt a/M. den 17. Januar 1848.

Die Gemeinde Frankfurt a/M. an die Gemeinden Israelitischer Religion.

Geliebte Brüder!

Es ist Euch bekannt, daß die Gemeinde Frankfurt a/M. seit Jahren mit einer Reform ihrer Gottesdienstordnung beschäftigt ist, daß sie bei dem Bestreben, die Reform mit Ruhe und Besonnenheit zu vollziehen, und mit Rücksicht auf die Zeitverhältnisse, bis jetzt noch Anstand nahm, dieselbe vollständig einzuführen, daß aber die Gemeinde Frankfurt a/M. bereits mehrere Jahre hindurch einige Gebete, welche bei der Reform ausgelassen werden sollten, nicht mehr in ihrer Gebetordnung aufnehmen ließ, daß sie ferner bereits seit mehreren Jahren die

at Pt. Burwell, but will come to Charlotteville - Turkey point, and vote for Tisdale; — Ashman of Turkey point, will vote for Tisdale - Dick Clark, is very hot for Col: Tisdale! and Snooks included, make six - all conservatives! —

This comprises the entire 50. votes, Snook could get if that license was obtained for him; I may candidly tell you each of these six people stand free and independent of one another. — —

I saw Sharp, in Pt. Dover, after I got back in the afternoon from Turkey point, he growled, because the license did not arrive for Snooks, — He asked me some questions, &c. I read Mr. Tilton's Telegraph for him. — And so now you will see that you are right all through the piece. - Give Snook a license, and let him go and pull up these stakes, put in the Inner Bay, by Turkey point bay, to mark their boundary line, and then

a big row would follow, you can see it at a glance; Sharp cannot! -

Mr. Henry Harris Groff, the Secretary of the Turkey point bay; - you already know, he is the person who applied last year, to stop all net fishing in the Inner bay, of Turkey point. - As you will also see that Burt Reeves, the Keeper, and the Secretary ordered Snook and Jackson, not to fish any more on the chartered property of Turkey point Company. —

Mr. Snooks, has to get there again now through the Overseer Sharp - ~~and~~ grant that license and the row begins. — I have I hope answered the Deputy Minister's telegraph to his and your satisfaction! my endeavour always is to do my duty to your satisfaction. - If asked to report on the granting of the license to Snook, I would recommend to lay it over for future consideration!

Yours respectfully, —
Donald Kerr. P.O.

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Hamilton: Ont. —
15. February 1887. —

Sir. —

I am just in receipt of your letter, respecting the application of Charles Muse, of Humber Bay, — for renewals of his licences for to fish with one seine 250 yards long from Park-dale water works to Illinois Bridge; and another; for permission to fish with a Boat and 5,000 yards of Herring and Salmon Trout gill nets from abreast of Parkdale water works to Port C. . . — Need for me to state whether these are any, and what objections to the renewal of these licences. — —

In reply, I have to report that a few days ago, I received a similar application from C. Muse, setting fo L, that he had already applied himself for these licences, through Mr Wallace, M. P. —

I have no objection to offer, and I respectfully recommend that the licences be granted to C. Muse, this year, the same as last year. — —

But if you have no objection you may extend the licences from the mouth of the Humber, to Parkdale water works, as applied for. — It will harm nothing and no body. — It being set apart a few years ago; for angling purposes, it is never used; hence I would under your sanction recommend that the application made be granted. —

Please send me licences to countersign and deliver as usual. —

Respectfully Submitted; —

J. Phill. Kerr. —
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
— Ottawa; Ont.

Sir, — 16. February 1837. —

I am just in receipt of your letter, respecting the application of Thomas Williams, Esq., for renewal of his licence for to sink with an iron 220 yards long from Gurt-glale water work to Pinidge, near Merthyr; for permission to sink a front near 600 yards of Morning near Cadoxton that will make from adjacent of Gurtdale water works to Gurt [illegible] — Due for me to state whether there are any, and what objections to the renewal of this licence. — —

In reply, I have to report that a few days ago, I received a similar application from Williams, stating to I that he has already applied himself for this licence, through the Collector, &c. &c. —

I have no objection to offer, and I respectfully recommend that the licence be granted to Williams this year, the same as last year. — —

But if you have no objection you may return the licence from the month of the Thomas, to Gurtdale water works, as applied for. — It will then nothing due on body. — It being but report a few years ago, for sinking purposes, it is never used; hence I wonder under your consideration because rather that the application needs be granted. —

There have me licence to continuing and also nor used. —

Respectfully submitted! —

Thos. Williams —

The Deputy Chairman,
Department of Trade,
Thomas; Esq.

Finding licence

Memorandum! for L. O. Bennet Esq.
Fisheries Department,
Ottawa. —

Please print Nos. 1, 2, and 3, of my returns for year 1886. — Nos. 4, and my report this week. —

Yours respectfully,
John Wilson —

15. February 1887. —

Mr. Frank Jackson,
Pt. Burwell, Ont. Hamilton, Ont.

15. February 1887. —

My dear Frank! —

I had occasion to write Mr. Emery last week, and I bid him see you, and get you to be in Charlottesville on tuesday the 22nd and vote for Col: Tisdale. —

I had a letter from Deaming — Buffalo; applying for the grounds again for you; to include Lot 16. that will be seized. I saw Sharp — on friday last at Port Dover, he told me he had written you to the same effect about lot 16, — has he done so! answer.

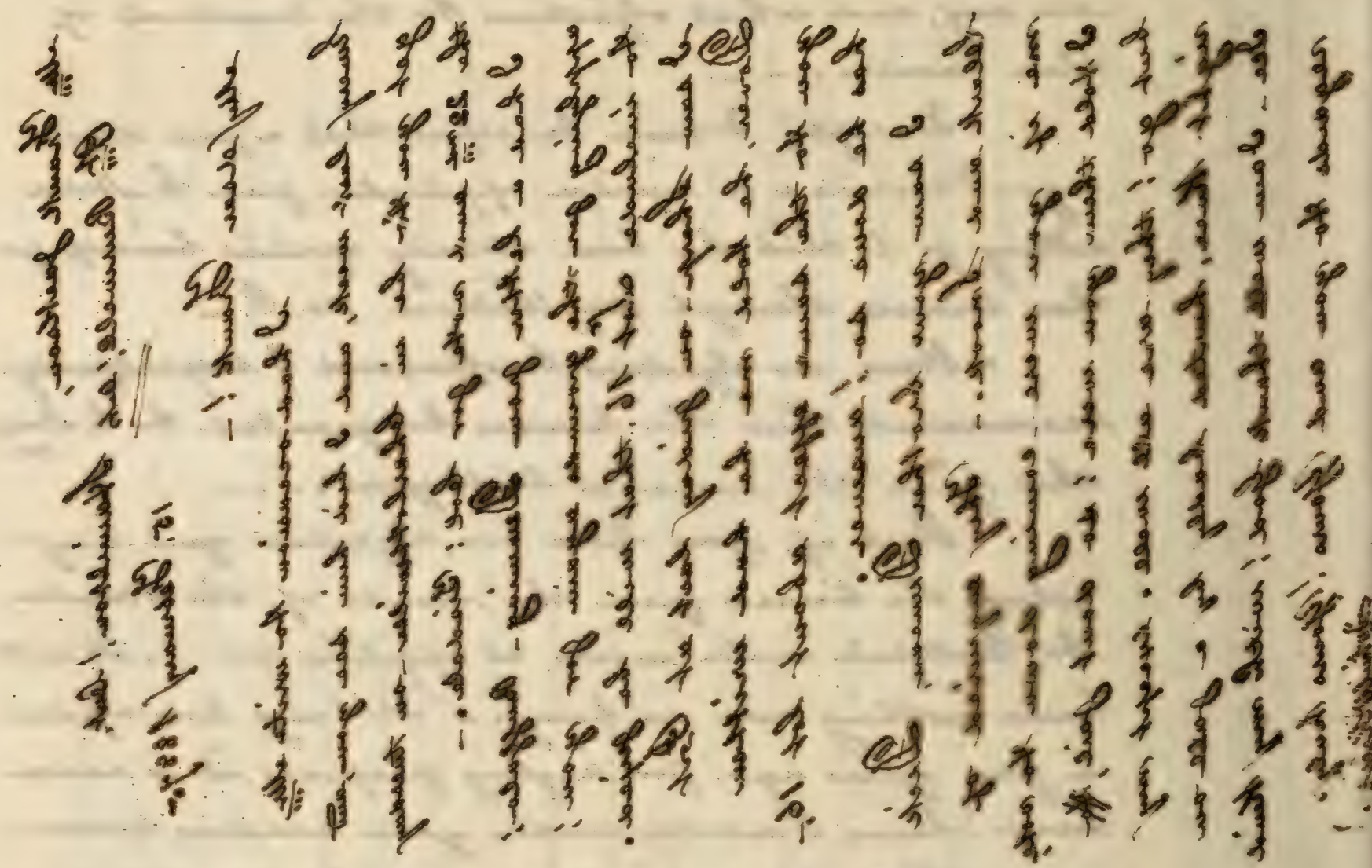
I saw your brother Duncan Dick Clark and Snook. — They enquired of me if you were coming down to vote, I told them you were: so dont fail, but go! they are all well. except my right knee, hurted badly by a fall on Ice — I am well thank God! with my kind regards to you and Yours! Yours truly.

John Wilson.

Memorandum: For G. G. Bennett Esq.
Finance Department.
Ottawa. —

Hence June after 1, 2, and 3, of my re-
turns for year 1886. — also: 4, and my
report this week. —

Yours respectfully:
10. February 1887. — Johnston —
&c.



Hamilton, Ont.
15. February 1887.

My dear Gilbert,

Hardly a day passes but some one complains that you are catching and killing all the Bass and Pike in the 20, — please meet me on next Monday 21st instant, when q.a.m. Train arrives at Jordan Station. —

I wish to see you about this business! with kind regards. —

Yours truly.
John Kerr.
J.O.

Mr Ric: Gilbert
Jordan Station
Post office.

Hamilton, Ont.
15. February 1887. —

My dear Sir!

File up and send me the return book, correct and complete of all the fish of all kinds you caught during the last year: in pounds weight under the different names of each kind of fish.

Net of Bass, Lake and gill nets. —

I recommended to the Department that you receive your licence for this current year in compliance with your application through me and Mr Wallace.

With kind and warm regards to you and yours, — believe me! —

Yours Sincerely,
John Kerr.
J.O.

Chas. Mason. Esq.
The Secretary,
Minnico, Ont.

P.S. Commence and fish whenever ready, Yrs

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To,

Messrs. Geo. A. Kirron, and Wm. St. Cudney,
Port Burwell, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.
16. February, 1887.

Gentlemen!

I beg to solicit your votes on next Tuesday for Mr. Charles Armatinger, a Candidate for the Dominion House of Commons, Canada.

Yours respectfully.
John W. Kerr.

Hamilton, Ont.
16. February, 1887.

My Friends!

Your Kind favour was duly received. I am glad for to [illegible] Frank Reid, true to his Colours in [illegible] for Mr. McCulla. -- I saw your [illegible] William, at Mt. Credit last day, I was to see him, and he promised me faithfully that he would not vote for Mr. McCulla, as now Mrs. Reid. I will depend upon [illegible] to see at your Husband and [illegible] to record their votes on next Tuesday for Mr. McCulla, and victory will be ours!

Glad to hear you are all well, and believe still a friend!

John W. Kerr.

Mr. Frank Reid, &
Mrs. Charlotte Reid
Clarksons, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.

16. February 1887.

My dear Sir,

I have to inform you that the Council at a meeting held on the 14th inst. passed a resolution to the effect that the Mayor be requested to write to the Chairman of the Board of Trade, Toronto, and request him to use his influence with the Board of Trade, Toronto, in favor of the Bill now before the Legislature, and also to request the Members of the Board of Trade, Toronto, to use their influence with the Government in favor of the Bill.

Yours respectfully,

Chas. Hillyard.

Hamilton, Ont.

16. February 1887.

My Dear Sir,

Your kind favour was duly received. I am glad to be able to state that the Council have taken action in the matter of the Bill. I am also glad to inform you that the Board of Trade, Toronto, have taken action in favor of the Bill, and I will be pleased to see the Members of the Board of Trade, Toronto, use their influence with the Government in favor of the Bill, and also to see the Government adopt the measure.

Yours truly,

Chas. Hillyard.

The Hon. Geo. A.
The Chairman Board of
Harbours & Docks,
Toronto.

Hamilton! Ont, -
16. February 1887.

My dear Col: Tisdale,

I duly received your letter and wrote to Port Burwell, for F. Jackson, to come down to Charlottville and vote for you! on next tuesday the 22nd instant. -

I had a letter from our friend, Mr. W. Gray on yesterday evening! in which he states: "I have arranged about Frank Jackson's going to vote for Col: Tisdale!" - and as this matter is a fixed fact. -

I was at Turkey point, on friday last, and I saw Wm. Smook, Duncan Jackson, Ric: Clark, and James Cockbolt, they will vote for you "Licence or no licence in the Dover Bay!" - of Turkey point". - Frank Jackson knows how to manage everything for your success, as I have written him. - And now in concluding, I wish you every success and a glorious majority! -

Yours Respectfully, -
John Wilson - F.O.

Col: D. Tisdale,
Simcoe, Ont, }

Wm. Wilson Esqre. F.O.
Island Creek. -
Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.
16. February 1887. -

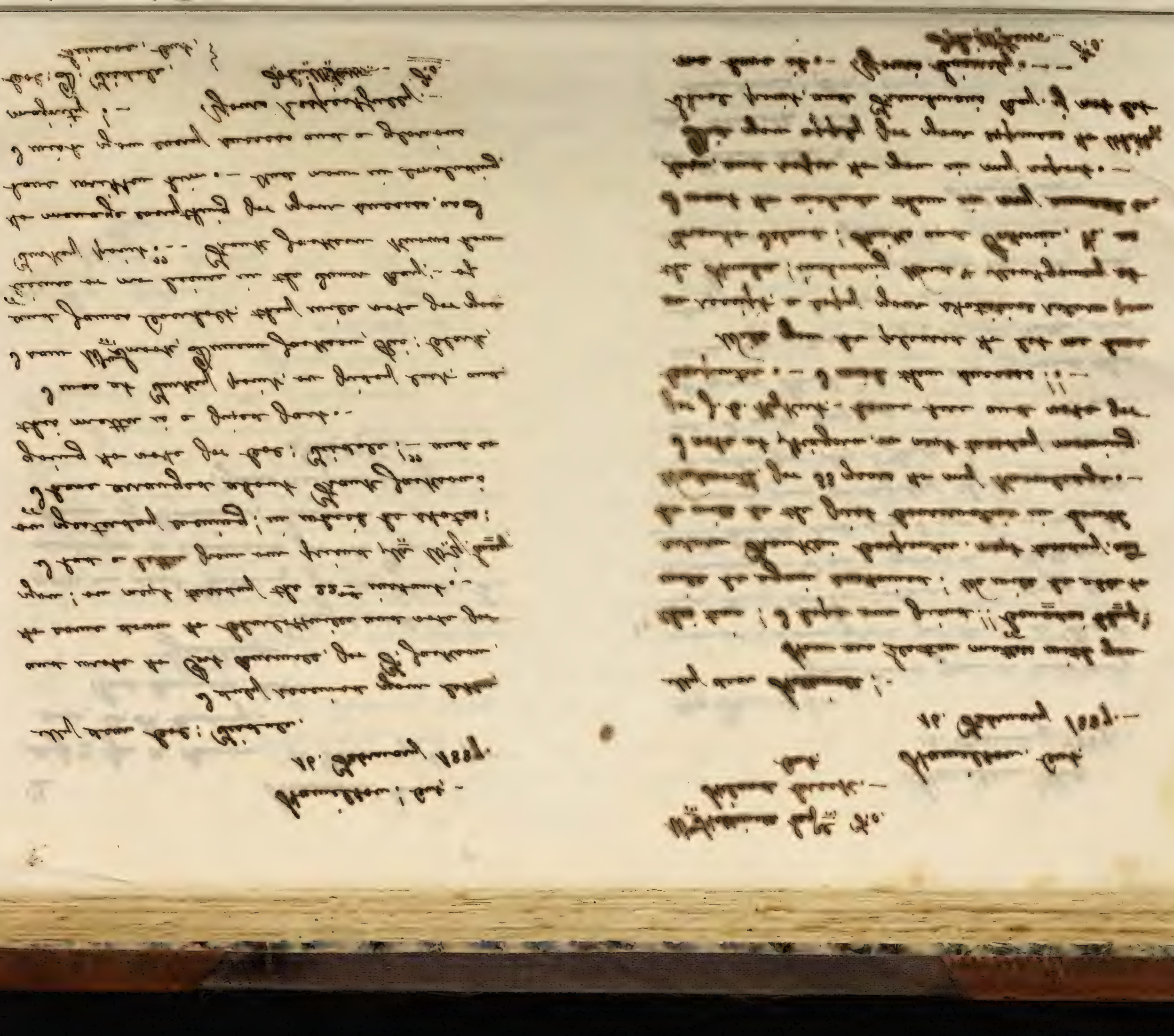
My dear Wilson! -

How are Election matters with you this time! I hope our friend!! Tancredi Bluff will be again sustained! He will be able to return Franklin Carpenter, next tuesday, as he will be the first Conservative in South Wentworth, for 33 years to my knowledge. -

I vote at Niagara, on next tuesday morning, for J. B. Rykert, - home here and vote for Carpenter. - I wish them success!! -

Will you be pleased to let me have on receipt, a copy your statistical return for the Township! including Ward & Montgomery at Grassy Island! Skiffs and Potawin, &c. as I want to include them in my annual return, and refer to you in my report. -

Did you apply for your expenses to Whitby, Shoal point, and Frenchman's Bay, if not let me have it. - Yours Sincerely. - -
John Wilson - F.O.



Messrs: Jas. S. P. Bennett Esqrs.
Fisheries Department. –
Ottawa! –

Please find copies of the papers herewith, that you require. – I am next monday on my way to Niagara. I will see Sam: D. Woodruff & and talk to him about what you say of his applying for the waters of the stations in front of the T. point belgs. property for fish breeding purposes. – It is just the thing! even J. S. Allan, and I talked about this on last friday. –

Well if Tisdale is beaten, it is his meddle-some way of doing business that will cause it. – I get him some votes – one of them at his own request. – Frank Jackson. Pt. Burwell, will be sent from there to Charlottville by Friday, to vote with his brothers – Robert and Duncan – his Brother-in-law, Ric: Clark – Jas: Everholt & Wm. Snooks, on next tuesday, for Col: Tisdale. – –

Let him get in or get out – they will re-send their Votes for him! Yours respectfully. –

17. Feb: 1887. J. H. Wilkins. J.P.

Hamilton! Ont.
18. February 1887. –

My dear Sando,

Yours received I have caused enquiries to be made all over the City for your son! no account of him. I had a very favourable letter from young Joseph Gabriel of Queenston, he says the prospects are good and encouraging. I will be in Niagara on next Monday – afternoon! and will call and see you! How are the Allans? – Robert Josh and Dick. – –

Wishing every success to our Cause and a glorious victory. –

Believe me, Yours Sincerely. –
J. H. Wilkins J.P.

John Sando Esqre
Niagara! –

Hamilton, Ont.
18. September 1881.

Mein lieber Herr

Ihrer werthen Zuschrift vom 12 ds. entnehme ich, daß Sie mit der Uebersendung der Bibel noch einige Zeit warten wollen, was mir ganz recht ist. Es ist mir nicht möglich, mich jetzt mit Ihnen über die Sache zu unterhalten, weil ich mich in einer Stimmung befinde, die mich für alle Dinge dieser Welt gleichgültig macht. Ich bin nicht im Stande, mich mit irgend Etwas zu beschäftigen, weil mich immer ein Gedanke beherrscht, der mich Tag und Nacht quält. Ich bin nicht im Stande, Ihnen Ausführlicheres zu schreiben

Hamilton, Ont.
18. February 1887.—

My dear Cudney,—

Your kind favour of the 16th Just received.— I cannot yet answer positively what will be the outcome of my report on all your loss and damage, which I have so fully reported upon.—

And also as to your expenditure and outlay in New Fog and New Buildings.—

It is useless to write to Ottawa until the elections are over.— I may candidly tell you, I intend to recommend you for an Additional pound this year, because you are most deserving of it in many ways.—

Nothing but the Elections all over, I am glad to learn from you that Mr. Armstringer, will be elected, as he will be your all I can leave a good friend for your Pound not proprietors.—

I am aware Mr. Emery is working hard for Mr. Armstinger, and I hope he will be successful.— This time 40. years ago, I lived in Bayham, at Richmond, and and I taught the School there.—

Mr. Armstinger's father was then M.P. for Middlesex and done me a kindness, and I would willingly help his son now, I hope you and George A. Brown, will warmly support him and vote for him.—

I am getting better from the effects of my bad fall thank you for your kind enquiries.— Please remember me kindly to George A. and accept my warmest regard and esteem.—

Yours fraternally.—

John W. Kerr.—
P.O.

Wm. H. Cudney Esq.
Or Burwell, Ont.

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Hamilton, Ont. –
1st February 1887. –

Sir. –

In submitting my annual returns of the Hamilton Division! for your information, for the year ending 31st December 1886! – Between the mouth of the Grand River, in Lake Erie, and Whitby Harbour, – Lake Ontario, you will find a falling off in the catch and take of so – fish named in the Fisheries Act, as compared with the previous years reported upon. – –

This may in part be attributed to stormy weather during the past year; when great destruction of gill nets happened; as also other fishing material reported on by me to the Department, at the time. – Besides fishermen did not fish as extensively last year; as they have done during previous years. – –

White Fish! – and Salmon Trout. – –

Do longer frequent the Seine hauling grounds of Lake Ontario: as they did 10, or 15 years ago! – It may be, that white fish bred in the New Castle Hatchery, the ova of which, being procured in Georgian Bay, and hatched out and planted in the waters of Lake Ontario, may have something to do with this to make it a success. – – Or these white fish are known to keep in deep water, all the time, the same as their parent fish are known to do, in the waters of Georgian Bay! – – Or it may be that Fish Breeding in New Castle Hatchery, from some cause is no longer a successful science. –

Or Pound Nets – are no longer allowed to be fished in Georgian Bay. – I recommend that White fish Ova, for the New Castle Hatchery – be procured from the Pd. Net fishermen, at Port Stanley, – Lake Erie! the White fish,

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
– Ottawa! – Ont.

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Sir,

1st February 1884.

In submitting my annual returns of the Hawaiian Fisheries for your information, for the year ending 31st December 1883, between the mouth of the Pearl River, in Lake Ki, near Honolulu, Oahu, Sandwich Islands, you will find a falling off in the catch and sale of fish, as compared with the previous years reported upon.

This may in part be attributed to strong weather during the past year; when great destruction of life and property happened; so also other fishing matters reported on by me to the Department at the time. Besides fishermen did not fish as extensively last year, as they have during previous years.

White Fish:- near Salmon Island.

No longer frequent the shoal fishing grounds of Lake Kawai; as they did 10 or 15 years ago. It may be, that white fish breed in the slow beattle flatstony, the roe of which, being poisonous in Sandwich Islands, and hatches out and planted in the waters of Lake Kawai, may have something to do with this to make it a success. In these white fish are known to keep in deep water, all the time, the same as their present fish are known to do, in the waters of Sandwich Islands. It may be that this breeding in slow beattle flatstony, from some cause is no longer a successful business.

The Samoa fish are no longer allowed to be taken in Sandwich Islands. I recommend that White fish be for the slow beattle flatstony be transferred from the Department at Lake Kawai, Lake Ki. The White fish,

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Kalihiwai, Kauai.

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being a better class of fish, with railway accommodation four times a day.- to take the Cod away to "The New Castle Hatchery." ---

My observation last season has led me to believe that our White fish in Lake Ontario, are on the increase, and only require to be again fished for, with gill nets, in the proper places, for to prove it a success! --- I saw signs of this myself at Grimsby, and Burlington Beach, Lake Ontario, last season! --- I am in hopes that I will not be disappointed in my expectations. --- Many millions of white fish. Salmon, and Salmon Trout fry, have been planted by Mr. Samuel Wilmot, in Lake Ontario, during the past 10 years, but still, some how or another, they have not at any time since shown to advantage.- And it is singular too, that their appearance last year in the Hamilton Division of Lake Ontario; was still worse, than during previous years. --

Except at Grimsby, Winona, Port Credit, The Humber, Toronto, and Burlington Beach! Gill net fishing for white fish, and salmon Trout, was not carried on. -

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Sturgeon! -

Sturgeon fishing has become more lucrative to our fishermen, who follow gill net fishing for them, than other fish at present frequenting our public waters, and were more fished for, and sought after, during the past season. - The prices are always paying and profitable to the fishermen. --

The sturgeon caught at Niagara; have been chiefly caught in American, U.S. waters. -

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Herring and Ciscos! -

Are the favoured fish of Lake Ontario; during the past year at Niagara: Port Dalhousie, Clinton, Winona, Burlington Beach, Bronte, Pt. Credit,

being a better place of fish, with railway accommodation four times a day. It takes the bus away to "Clapham Beach Hotel." ---

My observation last season has led me to believe that our little fish in Cape Colony are in the minority, and only requires to be open fished for with gill nets, in the proper places, for to prove it a success! --- I am sorry of this myself at Simonsly, our Bunbury-on-Sea, Cape Colony, last season! --- I am in hopes that I will not be disappointed in my expectations. --- Many millions of white fish, I believe, are taken that fish have been planted by the Amour Talmut in Cape Colony, during 10 years, but still, some how or another, they have not at any time since shown to advantage. But it is singular too that their appearance last year in the Hamilton Division of Cape Colony; was still worse than during previous years. --

Dept at Simonsly, Minnow, Cat Beach, Cape Colony, our Bunbury-on-Sea! Still not fishing for white fish, but I believe that, was not issued so. --

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Strangers! --

Strangers fishing has become more lucrative to our fishermen, who have gill net fishing for them, than other fish at present frequenting our public waters, and were more fished for, our caught-after, during the past season. The prices are always fetching our profitable to the fishermen. --

The strangers caught at Strangers; have been chiefly caught in Bunbury, N.S.-waters. --

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Herring, our herrs! --

In the Pomeranian fish of Cape Colony; during the past years at Strangers. Cat Hollmouth, Salmon, Minnow, Bunbury-on-Sea, Brooks, Cat Beach;

The Humber, and Toronto Island. --

In cold wintry weather, smoked, they are always marketable, and command good paying prices

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Close Seasons! –

Have been well kept, particularly on Hamilton Division of Lake Ontario, for White fish and salmon Trout, as no fishing whatever for them, is carried on from and after the 1st of October, for the balance of the year 1886. –

Fines! –

Already reported, except the Game Club of the City of Hamilton cases. -- I have had myself, only occasion to fine a fisherman, for fishing up on Sunday, during the past year, in contravention of the Fisheries Act, as already reported to you. ---

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Saw Mills and Saw dust. ---

I made a careful inspection and examination of the saw mills on 12 Mile Creek, and the River Credit, last summer, served the Mill owners with a Copy of your Circular, as reported to you. --

There is nothing any more to complain of in this respect. –

I may report for your information, that in Lake Erie, off out for miles from the City of Buffalo, extensive fishing with Tip ups! was carried on during last year, early in the year, and ending 31st December 1886. – when large quantities of Blue pickerel and other fish were caught daily. -- Our fishermen and Farmers sons living along the Canadian shore of Lake Erie, have become apt scholars at this mode of fishing. – I will describe it to you! – –

Sir Humber, our Honorable Colonist. —

In our minting weather, matter, they are always worthwhile, and consumer good fruiting prices

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Have Herring. —

There have been made very extraordinary on Humber Division of Lake Huron; for little fish, and herring that are no fishing waters for them; as consumer year and after the 1st of October, for the Colonies of the year 1886. —

Trout. —

Likewise reported; except the fresh fish of the Lake of Humber Lake. — I have her regally, only re-mains to fine a fisherman; for fishing up on Lake, during the past year; in contravention of the Fishing Act, as already reported for year. — —

Raw Milk and Raw Cheese. — —

I made a careful inspection and examination of the raw milk or 12 milk Cheese, and the Butter Cheese last summer; hence the milk cheese until a copy of your Honour, as reported to year. — —

There is nothing any more to complain of in this respect. —

I may report for your information, that in Lake Huron; off not for make from the Lake of Buffalo, extensive fishing with Gig lips! was carried on during last year, early in the year, and ending 31st December 1886. — when large quantities of false fishers and other fish were caught daily. — Raw fishermen and Chinese have fishing along the Lonsdale shore of Lake Huron, there because apt colonies at this mode of fishing. — Humble observable it to year! — —

The men go out on the Ice, when the Lake is frozen over, each man with an axe; a dog and a hand sleigh;! - Cuts two holes in the Ice, for himself; and with two fishing lines, two hooks and a sinker on each line, constructs the Tip Ups! one for each hole in the Ice;! - to which the lines are fastened. -

Fishing hooks are baited with minnows; the catch was very good during the season of 1886. - - -

This kind of angling is usually carried on in the public waters of the United States, by hundreds of poor people daily from Buffalo. - They are usually about 4 miles out from the Canadian shore.

Our fishermen at Ridgeway, buy quantities of their fish. - - - I would like to be furnished with a map of Lake Erie; fronting on Buffalo, Old Fort Erie, up as far as Point Abino; showing the boundary line. -

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There is a decrease in the catch and take of fish, in the Hamilton Division; during the year 1886. as compared with the previous year of 1885, say to the extent of about $3.312.65$. - as returned for 1885. -

Take from this amount fish caught at Toronto Island, &c. sent in to you by Overseer Stellwell, and the amount of fish caught during the year ending 31st of December 1886, - is about the same as that caught during the previous year of 1885. -

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In conclusion, I deeply regret to inform you, that 3 young fishermen were drowned. - Two at Beaverton, named Dorland! and one at Remington Beach; named Yaffe, by the upsetting of their boats.

Respectfully Submitted! -

John Wilkes -

Fishery Overseer. . .

The moon up and on the day when the death is proclaimed, such moon with, an open; so day and a hour already! — such two holes in the day for himself; must with thoughing lines, two hoofs nine or mother to each line, consumate the Life life! one for each hole in the day! — to which the lines are footbound. —

Thinking hoofs are hoiton with minnows; the total was very good during the season of 1886. — —

The thought of supplying a monetary bounce on the public motions of the United States, by thousands of poor people daily from Buffalo. — They are usually about 4 miles out from the Dominion shore.

The fishermen at Dogpond, long quantities of their fish. — — I would like to be Bunsfaer with a map of state lie! pointing on Buffalo, the Dot line up so far as Dust Island; showing the boundary line. —

There is a decrease in the total net hoofs of fish, in the Dominion Division; during the year 1886, in comparison with the previous year of 1885, say to the amount of about # 3812.65¢. — in returns for 1885. —

Hoofs from this amount fish caught at Grande Island, Ile Aux Ours by Lorenzo Hollinsle, and the amount of fish caught during the year ending 31st of December 1886, is about the same as that caught during the previous year of 1885. —

In conclusion, I deeply regret to inform you, that 3 young fishermen were drowned. — Two at Hawk, name Holmes! and one at Dunbington Bend; name Cloffe, by the upsetting of their boat. Respectfully submitted! —

Mitchell Fisher —

Fishery Overseer. —

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D. Sharpe Esq. M.P.P.,
Niagara, Ont.

Immediate!

Hamilton, Ont.
25. February 1887.—

Dear Sharpe!

I congratulate you on your victory in South Norfolk. Colonel Tisdale, redeemed the Temperary Grit hold! More power to him, but who in Gods name has happened to flatten out Armstrong! in East Elgin! where as I was told they were cock shure! —

In South Wentworth, after 33 years voting - we got Carpenter in, 180 majority. — I voted in Niagara, Peel and South Wentworth, and all three votes! winners! —

I had a letter from Frank Jackson, to say he would be down and vote for Col: Tisdale! did he come. —

In my division all round Talking in Norfolk with you! we have won all before us! — Toronto, 3, [illegible]

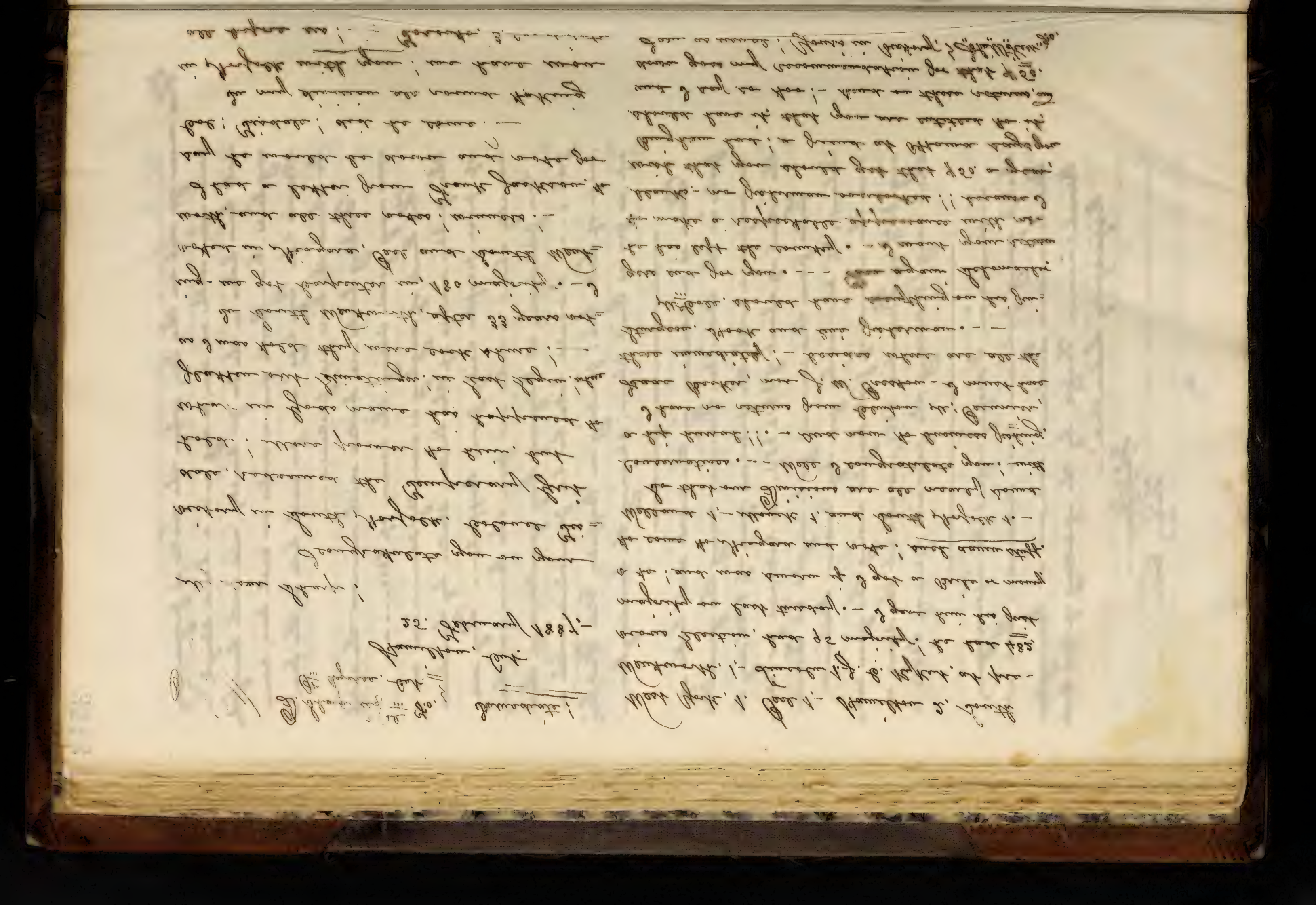
West York, 1. Peel 1.— Hamilton 2, South Wentworth, 1.— Lincoln 1. J. C. Rykert, at previous Election, had 95 majority! he had 482, majority on last tuesday. — I gave him his just due! and was sworn if I got a Bribe or money to come to Niagara and vote! such damn stuff. Welland 1.— Monck 1, and South Norfolk 1. —

So that our Divisions are all nearly Sound Conservatives. — Well I congratulate you! with a hip hurrah!!. — And now to business fishing.

I have no returns from Clinton yet; Paxuness, Isaac Becker, nor J. W. Preston — I must have these immediately! — besides where are all the Sturgeon, Stook and Eva fisherman. — —

McCole should have everything on his fingers end for you. — — Then again Schomacher, he has left the country. — I want your Return to make a respectable appearance with no blanks — no fisherman overlooked!! because I wish that you should get that $50. a year, Bingham had! a friend at Ottawa says you should have it, that you are entitled to it, and I say so too! — Hand in these returns, and down goes my recommendation for that $50.

Yours as usual! Yours in Victory, John Waller Esq. M.P.



Hamilton! &c —

7. February 1887.

My dear Friend, Mr Emery: —

In the Name of God, and His Holy Apostle St John!! What happened in East Elgin; was before polling day, every thing appeared safe for Mr C. Armstrong! &c with Lindsay and J. A. Brown voting for him and supporting him. — —

There must have been something very deceptious played all through the piece,— 140. majority for Dr Wilson; I was surprised when I saw it. — — We carried every thing successfully before us! — My Division proved true to Sir John A. Macdonald and His Gov.t Toronto 3.— West York 1.— Peel 1.— I had two votes in Peel! Hamilton 2. South Wentworth 1. (in my township, Barton — we gave Carpenter 143 majority.) — Lincoln 1. — J. C. Rykert polled 4844 majority — against 95 — at last or previous Election! — for Rykert is a jolly good fellow! — Then comes Welland! and our

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friend Dr John Ferguson (1.)! who was to be decapitated! and then banished! he won a Glorious victory! 276 — majority and Boyle, 1. in Monck! — — —

I ran down bad leg and all! saw J. C. Rykert last Monday. — Walked together: on to Queenston: jigged my votes there, (10.) on to the old Town of Niagara! voted for Rykert. and the Grit scrutineer — challenged my vote and swore me! I voted first in the polling place last tuesday morning! home here, and voted for Carpenter! — I saw Ferguson, at the St Bridge — and learned from him that he was going in! but his majority has far exceeded our expectations! Glorious news!! —

I was at Port Dover and Turkey point on the 11th and 12th giving up votes for Col: Tisdale. drove 36 miles in a bad stormy day, and so I will end my experience — by telling you that I congratulate you on Col: D. Tisdale. glorious return 55 majority. — — "Old Glorious Norfolk!" done her duty once more by returning one of her own worthy sons, in the person of David Tisdale Esq.re.

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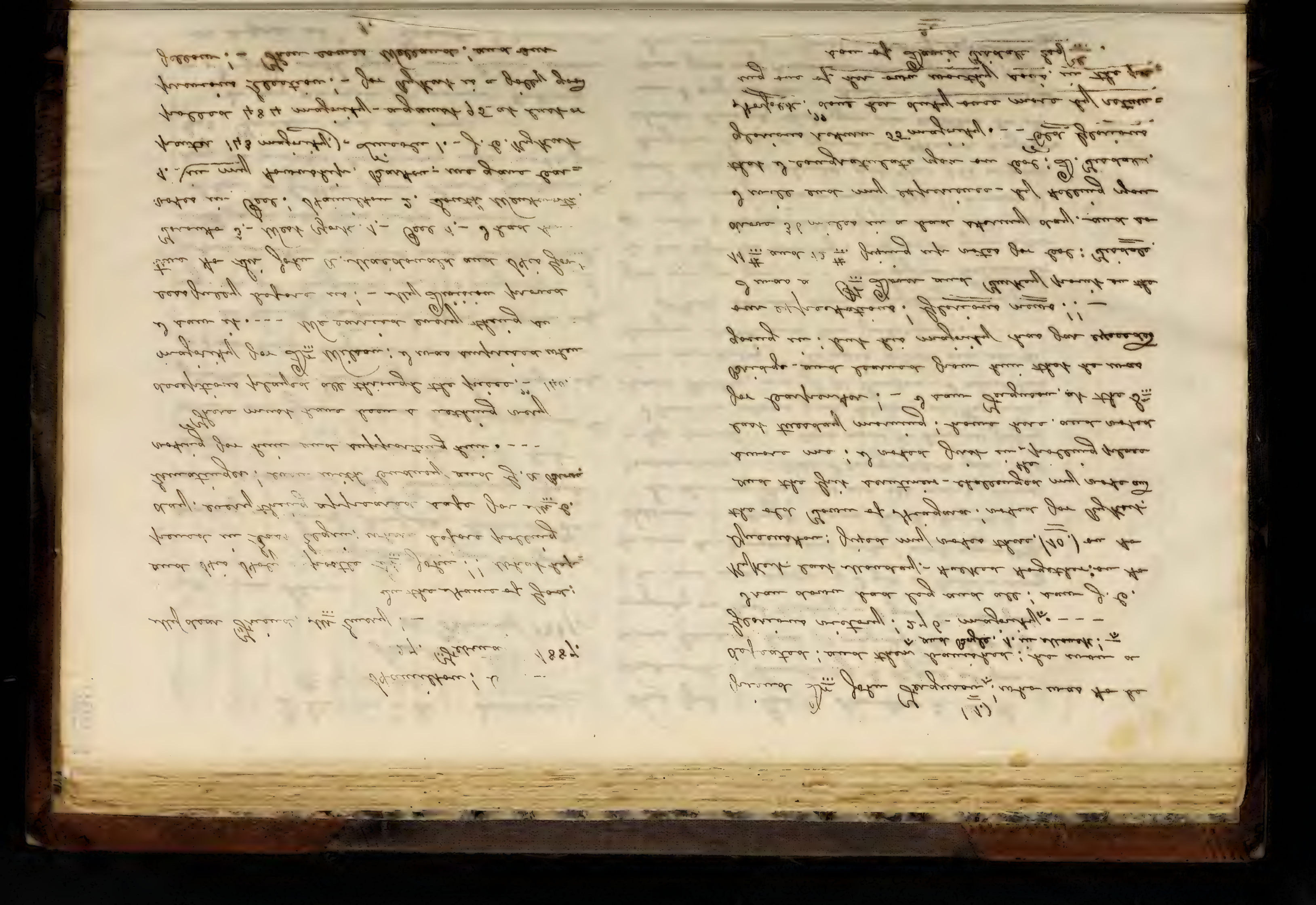


confound their Politics! Frustrate their knavish Tricks!! On thee our hearts we fix:
God save the Queen!!! –

Such shallow minded peoples as the Grits proved themselves all through the canvass in the Constituencies named! I never before beheld in all my long life! --- Talk with a friendly grit of any standing! and Sir John, and his Government, were doomed to inevitable destruction! And how do we find him this day! sitting triumphantly in the White House! of Old Rytown, – Ottawa! after coming out of the fight with a good sterling of 32, or 35 which is ample! -- And how luckey he is in many other respects. – illy next will be on fishing business! –

I am still getting a little better daily, – this is a hard day – on my leg, my foot and knee.... But then our worthy chief Sir John – punished Blake and his blind followers; so that we heartily say God save the Queen! --- It was painful for me to learn from you of the death of the Mrs. Emerys. brothers wife, it is a sad bereavement God pity and protect us always! –
Kindly remember me to Mrs E. your son, and daughters, and believe us ever, Yours &c

Hamilton! Ont. –
2nd March 1887. –

My dear Ramsay. –

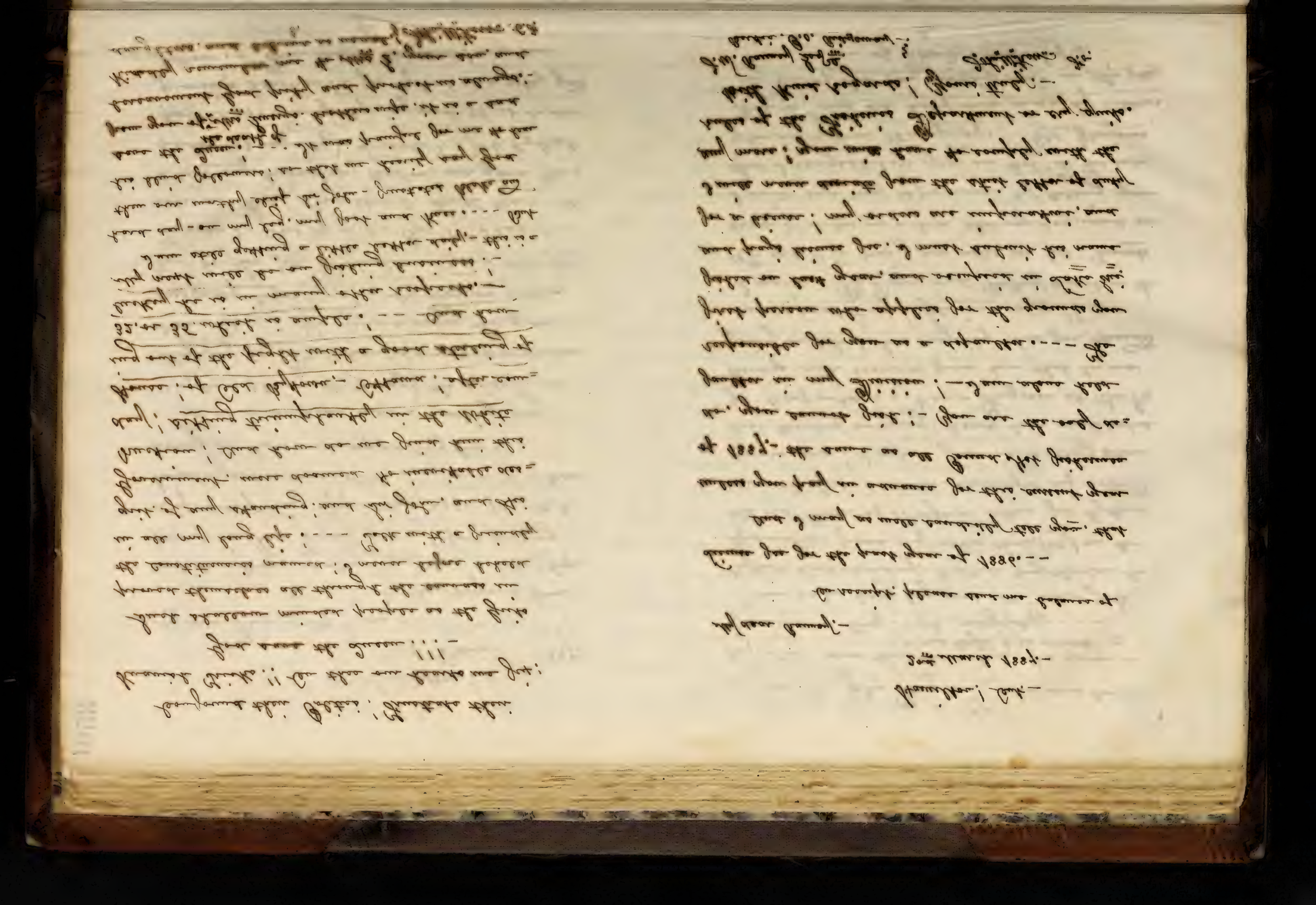
On receipt, please send me balance of License fee for the past year of 1886. – –

And I may as well candidly tell you, that unless you pay in advance for this current year of 1887. – the same as all Penned Net fishermen do, you cannot fish! – You are the only defaulter in my Division! – I am alone held responsible for you as a defaulter. --- The first person who applies for the grounds you fished on last year, and occupied in Lake Huron and pays license fee, I must submit his name for a license! my orders are imperative, and I will never deviate from the strict letter of duty any more! you will have to comply with the rules of the Fisheries Department or cry quits.

With Kind regards! Yours truly: –

J. W. Ramsay Esq.re
Kettle P.O. Ridgeway –

John Wilkie F.O.



Memo: for S. P. Bassett Esqre.
Fisheries Department. —
Ottawa! —

Now that Sir John, his Ministry, and a working majority of his supporters are elected, and sure to be elected for to sit in the Parliament House of Old Bytown! Ottawa for the next 5 years! all sound, good conservatives can afford to drink and sing God save the Queen! and Auld lang syne!!! —

How did you ultimately manage and settle the Smook license? — I passed twice through St Catherines — but I kept aloof from Woodruff! — this was on my way to Niagara to vote, and home here again! — The grit scrutineer swore me; if I got Money for coming there to vote! — I never got any thing! my Political principles are, and have always been conservative, and I pay my own way to the voting. — —

Old Billy Pollock. W. D. Pollock, fishery Guardian, — Brantford; wrote me a fortnight ago, he got no salary since last March! and he told me last time I saw him, he needs the small pay you allow him! —

Now! as regards that license to Smook. I think, talked too much about it, for the day after the Election, in Hamilton! I met Addison a Builder; formerly resident in Hamilton, but now living on Patrick Tisdales farm, Turkey Point, Charlottesville; and the second question asked me by him was: Would Turkey point fisherman be allowed now that the Elections were over, to fish in the Inner Bay, — that Sharp told him all about it, and that it was left to me to settle. — — Please refer to my report to The Deputy Minister, dated 25, May 1885. — — Read that report of mine carefully! — So far as I saw there was no occasion to raise any fuss, — nor trouble Honest John Carling, a personal friend of mine since 1847, — when he was a Boy. — I expect I settled things when at Turkey point on 15th instant, but then there was nothing to settle except to tell Duncan Jackson, never disgrace his fathers Bones in the Grave, who fought at Lundys lane, and Queenston Heights, and, when

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the Yankees were defeated; think of that Duncan my boy, - Snook and Clark who stood bye, are sons in law of old the late John Jackson of Turkey point, I was then talking about. --- You know how these things carry all before them at Election times. --- Then again, I told them, the first Oath, I took on the Bible was before the late Lieutenant General, and Lieut: Governor of Nova Scotia; the late Sir John Harvey, - who defeated the Yankees at Stony Creek, and Duncan Jackson, I said your father was in that Glorious fight. ---

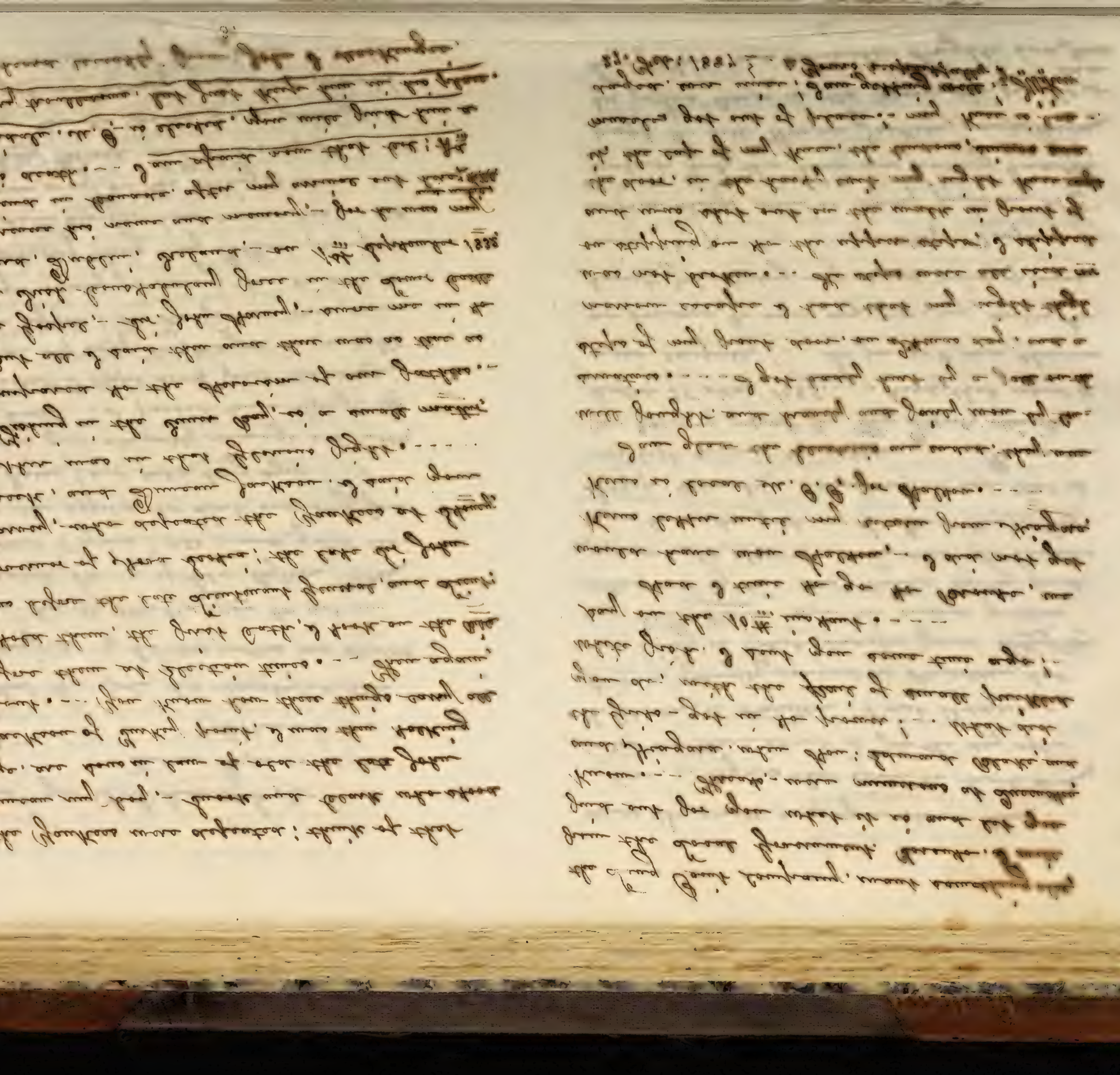
Fishing in the Inner Bay, is a small matter, compared to the Heroism of our fathers. - But all I said then and there was as true as the Gospel, - Sir. John Harvey, - swore me in to the Irish Constabulary force in the Lower Castle yard, Dublin, Ireland, - on 1st September 1832. I remember his name and memory, - for he was my friend in Canada, after my arrival out there, till his death. --- I am afraid now that Col: Gisborne, M.P. - is elected, you will find him a very troublesome, but just keep him in his place. I remain sincerely Your John S Hawkinson.

the Long Point Company, want something else, from the Local Government, Toronto. I will find out for you what it is and let you know. --- Threats, were numerous at Dundas, and Niagara, when Hon: Edward Blake, and the Grits - got in to power! --- What did you do, with the flail of small printed white Irish. I sent you some time ago! - say on the 10th instant. ---

Had I time to go to Brantford, we would have won Halton, - I did not get Kerns letter until my return from Niagara. Kerns is local M.P.P. for Haldimand. ---

I am glad the Elections are ended, they were well fought, and bravely and fairly won by Conservatives. --- I got badly hurt by a fall on the steps of my front door, on Thursday, and a narrow escape I had that my right thigh was not broken. --- The steps were all iced up on stepping on to the upper step, I slipped and was shot out on the walk in front of the door, in the hasty exit my right knee caught it, the cap of my knee, the tendons, sinews and muscles got out of places! - my knee is bandaged, over since! I am getting well! J. S. H.

27. Feb: 1887. Yours respectfully J. S. H.



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William Hamilton Esqre
Merchant. P.O. Credit.
Ont.

Hamilton! Ont.
1st March 1887.-

My dear Hamilton!

I congratulate you on your Glorious victory in Peel! you have done nobly... To beat Flemming's Majority 44. and poll 48 Majority for McCulla, proves that you were all alive to the work. -

I hope Frank Reid, and his son William; kept their promises to me and voted for McCulla. --- In my Fishery division, of Lake Erie, and on Lake Ontario! Twelve Candidates are returned all Conservatives and warm supporters of Sir John. I was at Niagara, helped J. C. Rykert, and voted myself. - the grit scrutineer O'Brien had me sworn - Rykert had 484 majority, - as compared to 95 majority, previous Election! - I got Rykert 12 votes including myself! and Dr. Ferguson, and Boyle Bros: Friends and one was F. Ellis, Carpenter!! so you may judge I was in great demand! Yours faithfully. -

John Ross -

Hamilton! Ont. -
1st March 1887. -

My dear Nurse! -

I will come down to your place on next thursday, and I will bring your licences with me. -

I congratulate you on the return of Mr Wallace, M.P. for West York! and Mr McCulla! for Peel! - Twelve Constituencies in my Fishery Division! on Lakes Erie; and Ontario; returned Conservatives! all warm friends and supporters of Sir John A!. -

With my warm regards, to you and yours! believe me!

Yours Sincerely; -
John Ross. -
P.C. -

Charles Nurse Esqre
The Member Hotel. -
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Hamilton! – Ont. –

1st March 1887. –

My dear Mellwell! –

Please meet me in Toronto, at the Union Station G. T. Ry. – when 9. a. m Train, on thursday next. – you here arrives there. – – – In my Division as Justice Commissr! 12 Conservatives have been returned. and with a little exertions, Waldemund with 5 majority, – and Walton with 9. majority – should have been won! too sure and too careless, besides money! but then the votes were there but no one to bring them to the polls! – On my return by 3.30. p. m Train, on last tuesday when I returned from Niagara! I received a letter to go to Brantford and secure votes for Henderson on monday; – when it so happened I was doing the same thing for Ryckman at Dundas! some people are too slow! – Yours truly; –

J. C. Rykert Esqre M. P. –

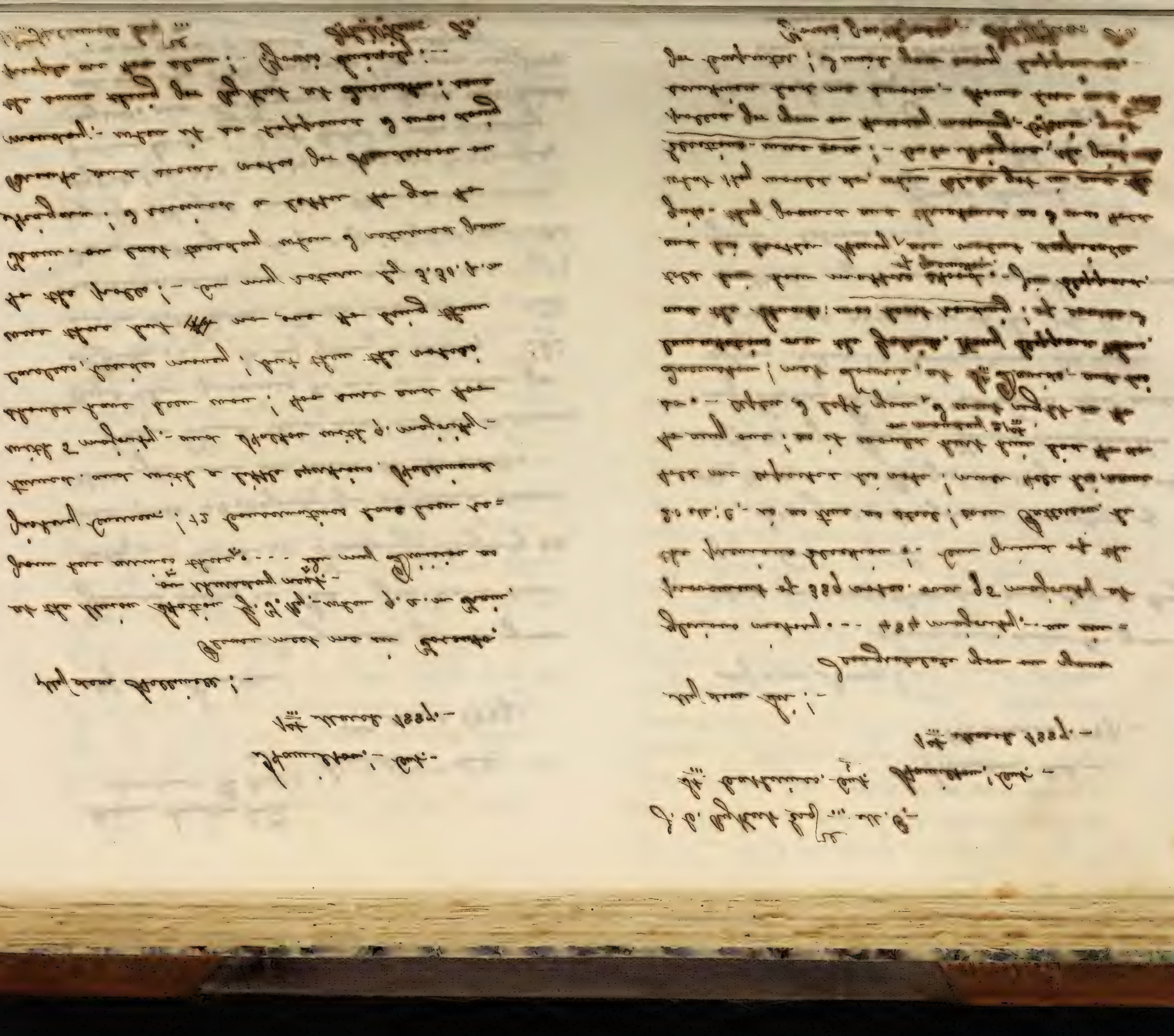
St. Catherines, Ont. Hamilton! Ont. –

1st March 1887. –

My dear Sir! –

I congratulate you on your glorious victory. – – 484 majority, – an improvement of 389 votes. over 95 majority at the previous Election! – Our friend of the 20 M. P. – is as true as steel! even Patterson, he told me expected his vote! never tells his name to any one! so it would hurt him bad to do so. – After I left you, on monday 21st I went right on to Queenston! met Lowrie, at St. Davids, and his lamentations on the Jesuits, Henry Beppard there, and the Church; was bad enough! of course I told him how matters stood. – Jim Beppard, and his brother Henry, of Queenston, are violent orangemen. they foamed and threatened as I was told what they would do, when Blake got in and the Elections were over! – but to Niagara, the girls polled for you on tuesday morning, again, girls scrutineers had no score, – Home Rule and for Carpenter! I wish you many happiness.

Yours faithfully, [illegible] Esq.



Colonel David Tisdale, M.P.
Simcoe, Ont. — Hamilton, Ont. —
1st March 1887. —

My dear Colonel. —

I congratulate you on your splendid victory! to beat Jackson's 44, and polle 55 Majority, was good and successful work. — May you be always on the winning side! — I felt sorrow on finding Ermatinger defeated! — In as much as our friend Emery, counted on a sure victory, Halton and Haldimand should have returned 2. Conservatives! Halton only 9, and Haldimand 5 votes of a defeat. — On Lake Erie and Lake Ontario, we carried 12 Constituencies for Sir John A. Macdonald, I voted in two myself! — 3. in Toronto; 1. in West York; 1. in Peel; 2. in Hamilton, 1. in South Wentworth, 1. in Lincoln; 1. in Welland; 1 in Monck, and your victory in S.R. Norfolk! —

Hamilton, Lincoln and Welland were hard fought and glorious battles — was! — S. Wentworth too, was a stiff fight, we gave Carpenter 43 majority in Burton. — The Grits must have miscounted on something that never existed. — Rykert polled 434 votes as compared to 95 majorities — at previous Election. — Dr. Ferguson — polled 266. — votes majority — where the Grit ajt was! he was sure to be defeated. —

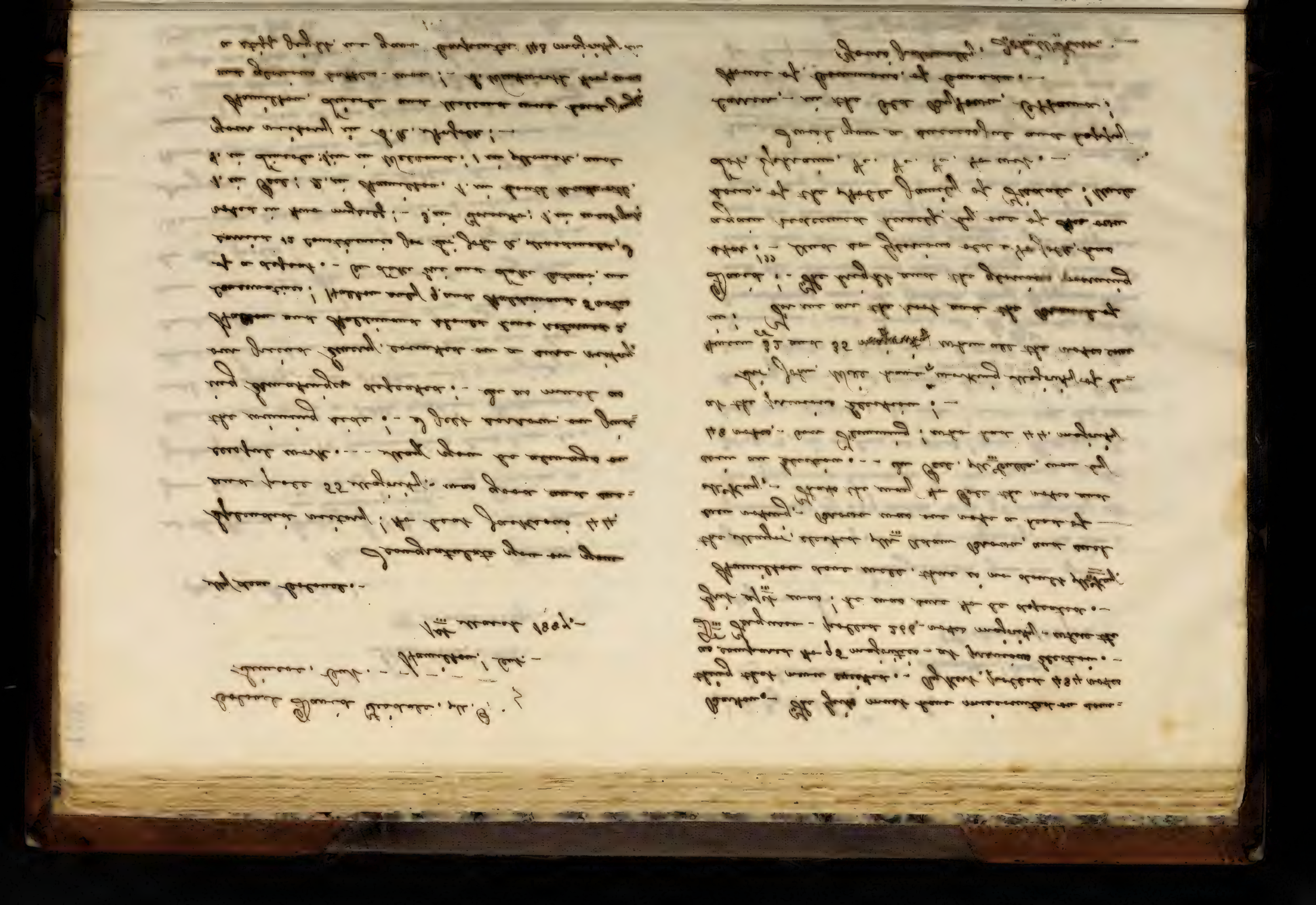
Hamilton done well, there is no doubt McKay, the Mayor, elected Mr. Adam Brown, and such even voting. — Brown was one vote a head of McKay. — That's the way to Pole the votes and win an Election. — — In Peel, McCulla, won by 48 votes. — Gen Fleming! who had 44. majority at the previous Election! —

Sir. John, Will have a working Majority of between 32 and 35 majority when all the votes come in! —

For we are the root and the Branch of David! — The bright and the glorious morning star! — And so Glorious old Norfolk, has again redeemed herself, by one of her own sons, of the Noble family of Tisdale! Uncle Lot, Ephraim, &c. &c. &c. to wit. —

I wish you a successful and happy Career, — in the Old Rotown, Ottawa! House of Commons, of Canada. —

Yours fraternally, John Wilson.



Hamilton, Ont.
2. March 1887.–

My friend!

Correspondence the 3rd
Port Colborne, Ont. – } Greeting!!!..–

How many fishermen are in active operation fishing in Lake Erie, – at this present time, off Pt. Colborne! will you please inform me, and send me their names....

The Elections turned out splendid all over! Sir John has and will have a good majority – often all the disloyal talk. Dr. Ferguson, J.C. Rykert, Carpenter, Brown & McKay, Tisdale, Boyle, McCulla, Wallace, Duncan Small and Kirkpatrick, all in my fishery division are Elected! I voted for Rykert at Niagara, and for Carpenter, at home here!..

With Kind regards to your father & family, – believe me! Yours Sincerely,..

Phil. Kerr. Jr.

Mr. John Raynard,
Fisherman!–
Niagara!!–Hamilton! Ont.–
Ont.
2nd March 1887.–

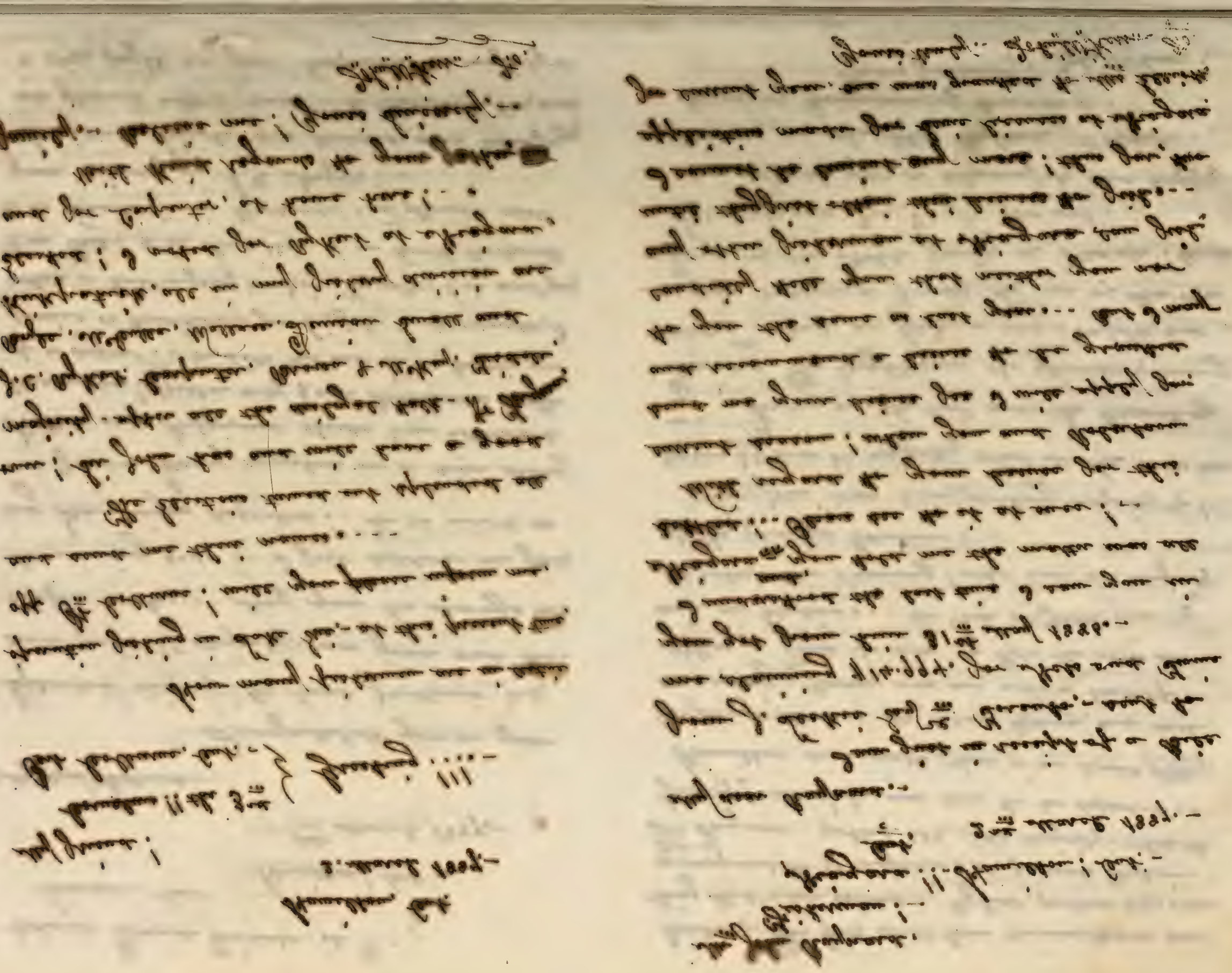
My dear Raynard..

I am just in receipt of a Bill from J. Leckie Esq. Toronto, – sent to me claiming $14.994. for Nets and Twine you got from him 31st May 1886.–

I understood the last time I saw you in Niagara, and you told me the matter was all settled!... Please see to it at once!..

With regard to your license for this current season! when you and Robertson send me your license fee I will apply for and recommend a license to be granted to you the same as last year... But I may candidly tell you that neither you nor any other fishermen at Niagara can fish until they first obtain their licenses to fish... I cannot be lenient any more! then you, two applications made for twin licenses at Niagara for current year, one was granted to Mr. Leckie.

Yours truly.. Phil. Kerr. Jr.



Hamilton, Ont. —

5. March 1887. —

My dear Sharp!

Yours received and I send your return to you this day for your signature, sign at top of page, for up, and place in the official envelope for Ottawa.

I have already made an official report by order from the Department, on the great loss and damage to Pound Net Fishermen, sustained by the violent storm of 14th October last. —

I received letters from the proprietors, and I reported accordingly. — It was all done by orders I got from the Department. — —

They say I got your letter. I got a letter from the Department to come to Ottawa. The Deputy wants to see me on business, all my expenses, will be paid, &c. &c. &c. Is there anything you wish me to say or

1. —

do for you, write me on receipt. I will do it for you! I will only stop one day there. —

Get in to Ottawa in the morning, back afternoon night. — — I am glad we all done so well for our friends at the late Elections. — —

Out of 14. Constituencies in my Fishery division! 12. Conservatives elected. — It was a glorious victory! and the Grits so sure, as they boasted, that Sir John, and all our Conservative friends! would be kicked out. —

Colonel Tisdale is the best man you have ever had in Norfolk, he is sure to make his mark in the House, and be a Judge before many years on the Bench. —

My leg by over exertion at the late Election is not improving so much as I expected. With kind and warm regards! believe me as ever. — Yours Sincerely,

John Wilson. J.P.

D. Sharp Esq. M.P.
Port Rowan.
Ont.

2.

January. 1886.

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1886.						
28. January.	Thomas Joyce..	Boat License.		15.	00.	I sent the Deport-
" " "	Robert Joyce..	-"-	-"-	15.	00.	ment, Bank draft
" "	John Fields..	-"-	-"-	5.	00.	No: 271.. for $55..
" "	Wm Ingledew..	-"-	-"-	5.	00.	on 28: January 1886.
" "	S. D. Brown	-"-	-"-	10.	00.	" " "
" "	Messrs Jas: Adair & Bro..	-"-	-"-	5.	00.	" " "
27. February..	T. B. Kirchief..	Licence to span,		1.	00.	
" "	John Taylor.	-"-	-"-	1.	00.	
" "	Michael Cecil..	-"-	-"-	1.	00.	
" "	Richard Williams..	-"-	-"-	1.	00.	
" "	Thomas Tyson..	-"-	-"-	1.	00.	I sent Department,
" "	Charles Smith..	-"-	-"-	1.	00.	Bank draft No: 367.
" "	Lewis Erickson..	-"-	-"-	1.	00.	for $15.. dated 27th
" "	Samuel Kile..	-"-	-"-	1.	00.	February 1886.. on
" "	Robert Lyons..	-"-	-"-	1.	00.	1st March 1886.
" "	Mat: Thompson..	-"-	-"-	1.	00.	
" "	W. B. Stuart..	-"-	-"-	1.	00.	
" "	George Baker..	-"-	-"-	1.	00.	
" "	Hugh Tyson..	-"-	-"-	1.	00.	
" "	R. W. Weatherston	-"-	-"-	1.	00.	
" "	Harry Bowdan..	-"-	-"-	1.	00.	

This return foots up $75.00.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

John W. Kerr
Hamilton,
Ont.

January. do---

					£.	s.	
1886.							
28. January.	Thomas Joyce.	Rent office.			15.	00.	Rent the Department.
" " "	Robert Joyce.	---	---		15.	00.	Rent Bank draft.
" "	John Smith.	---	---		5.	00.	Pd: 27/1. Per ✓ 65.
" "	Miss Sullivan.	---	---		5.	00.	do 28: January 1886.
" "	J. J. Brown.	---	---		10.	00.	" " "
" "	Mrs: Jno: Brown. Widow.	---	---		5.	00.	" " "
27. February.	C. D. Sinclair.	Chinese Department.			1.	00.	
" "	John Cooper.	---	---		1.	00.	
" "	Michael Smith.	---	---		1.	00.	
" "	Richard McGrann.	---	---		1.	00.	
" "	Thomas Dyson.	---	---		1.	00.	Rent Department.
" "	Thomas Smith.	---	---		1.	00.	Bank draft Pd: 3/4.
" "	Jesse Hutton.	---	---		1.	00.	Per ✓ 165. dated 27 $\frac{th}{th}$
" "	Samuel Fife.	---	---		1.	00.	February 1886. do
" "	Robert Dyson.	---	---		1.	00.	1$\frac{st}{st}$ March 1886.
" "	Peter Thompson.	---	---		1.	00.	
" "	W. D. Grant.	---	---		1.	00.	
" "	George Barker.	---	---		1.	00.	
" "	Hugh Dyson.	---	---		1.	00.	
" "	R. H. Macfarlane	---	---		1.	00.	
" "	Henry Brooks.	---	---		1.	00.	

This return goes up $47.00.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa. Sir,

Herewith
Sir,

Phillips Thomas.

March, 6.--

1886.-					
16. March.-	John Davis,	Boat hire,	10.	00.	Sent Dept. Ck. draft
" "	Nicholas Smith,-	Team hire,	20.	00.	No: 412. for $38. on the
" "	George White and	Boat hire,	8.	00.	16 March 1886.-
" "	John Crawford.-	" "	7.	"	
17. March,	Chester A. Harris,-	Team hire,	20.	00.	Sent Dept. Bank,
	draft No: 423. for $20. on 17. Mar: 1886.-				
	This return foots up $58.00.-				

Hamilton: - Sept.-
13. March 1887.-

I am instructed by the Deputy Minister of Fisheries - for the same amount see his letter of 8th March to make my payments at Ottawa. - He wants to make sure. I have an attorney coming, - will be there on Tuesday morning, - will be back on the 22nd. - Mr. Rice and Boy will be with the sea grass bitter. - Mr. Rice and Boy are busily gathering bitter. - Cafarian from Shediac, Buchanan, Sturgeon, had no bitter when I were there on the 22nd. February last. - the last the fish again I have - bitter (Litituloy.) from Mr. Wagner Weight. Not large. Nothing me Deadwater has left Sturgeon and nothing the rest my office property. - White gone to Rice as I forgot to the go with Mr. Wright and take his - made bitter these matters make such as the White Rice sturgeon - I will Rice sturgeon - state as quick. - Yours truly, John White

J. Phillips Hewson -
Hamilton,
Sept.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.-
Ottawa. Sept.

March, & April 6.---

				1.	7.	
1881.						
31st March	Robert Gibson	1.	Ch. Lines!	5.	00.	Indian Department
---	William Brown	2.	"	"	5.	00.	[illegible]
---	James H. Wilson	3.	"	"	5.	00.	[illegible]
---	Isaac Mitchinson	4.	"	"	10.	00.	[illegible]
---	Richard Pugh	5.	"	"	5.	00.	[illegible]
---	Mesdames T. Leavitt and J. Leitholand			"	5.	00.	[illegible]
1881.							
9. April	Charles Moore		Chief Lines!		10.	00.	Indian Department
---	" "		" Road Lines!		10.	00.	[illegible]
---	Lines and						
---	George Hope		Spring Lines!		1.	00.	[illegible]
---	John Perkins		" "		1.	00.	[illegible]
---	George White		" "		1.	00.	[illegible]
---	Lewis Desrosiers		" "		1.	00.	[illegible]
---	David Christie		" "		1.	00.	[illegible]
---	Edward Cooper		" "		1.	00.	[illegible]
---	Thomas Robinson		" "		1.	00.	[illegible]
---	Charles Smith		" "		1.	00.	[illegible]
---	E. V. Spencer		" "		1.	00.	
---	Andrew Adams		" "		1.	00.	

The foregoing is a true statement of the return of the Deputy Minister, Department of Indians.--

Ottawa! Ont.

J. Lithgow

Hamilton, Ont

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Appropriation Acts.

1836.			£. s.	
17th April.	Wm. G. Lamy, Esq.	Pictou Lines,	100. 00.	Sent Department 17th
"	Lachlan Young, Esq.	" "	200. 00.	Accept. Ste: 625. for 925.
				on 17th April 1836.
20. April.	Bristow Rice, & others,	Spanish River,	2. 00.	Sent Department 20th
"	Archibald Moore,	Great Lines,	5. 00.	Accept. Ste: 625. for 925.
"	Thomas Mansfield,	" "	10. 00.	on 20. April 1836.
21st April.	Peter Stark,	Lake Lines,	5. 00.	Sent Department 21st
"	John Burgess, Esq.	Lake Lines,	15. 00.	Accept. Ste: 625. for 925.
"	Edward Cunningham,	" "	2. 00.	on 21st April 1836.
24. April.	Wm. Schenck,	Pictou Lines,	100. 00.	Sent Department
	Sent the Department, Sept. 24th			Ste: of 24. April last
	625. for 925. on 24th April 1836.			
29. April.	Wm. G. Lamy, Esq.	Pictou Lines,	100. 00.	Sent the Department
"	Geo. C. Dawson, Esq.	" "	100. 00.	Accept. Ste:
"	John Burgess, Jun.	" "	250. 00.	525. for 925. on the
"	Wm. B. Wallace,	Great Lines,	15. 00.	29th April 1836.
"	D. D. Landy, and Esq.	Great Lines,	2. 00.	
1836.				
5. May.	Dan. Patterson,	Pictou Lines,	150. 00.	Sent Department
"	John Reid,	" "	250. 00.	Accept. Ste: 125. for 425.
11. June.	John W. Ramsay,	" "	30. 00.	on the 5. May 1836.
"	John Miller, Esq.	" "	5. 00.	Please see letter annexed

This return foots up altogether £1.405.00.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Finance,
Ottawa, Ont.

John Wilson

Hamilton.
Aud.

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Mary and Jane [illegible] 6

1886.

5. May 1886. [illegible] Jackson, .. Street lines. 200. 00. [illegible]
Sent Department, Cheque No: 13. ——— letter of 6 May 1886
on the 8 May 1886. for $200.

11. May .. J. H. Barton .. Street lines, 15. 00. Sent Department, 6%
" " " Joseph Rye, and Bay, Street lines, 100. 00. cheque No: [illegible], for $115.
——— on 12. May 1886.

20. May Robert Bailey .. Street lines, 5. 00. Sent Department,
" " " John [illegible] .. Lane lines, 5. 00. 6% cheque No: [illegible], for
" " " Charles [illegible] .. Street lines. 5. 00. $115. on the 20. of May
" " " Christina Montoye. Street lines, 100. 00. 1886.

27. May .. Wm. Scott, and Bay .. Street lines, 10. 00. Sent Department 6%
cheque No: 84, for $10. 27. May 1886.

2. June ... William [illegible] .. Lane lines. 8. 00. Sent Department 6%
cheque No: 105. on 2. June 1886. for $8.

4. June ... [illegible] Bay. Lane lines. 10. 00. Sent Department
" " " Margaret [illegible] .. Street, [illegible] 10. 00. 6% cheque No: 110, for
$10. on the 4. June 1886.

9. June .. George [illegible] Jr. & Bay, Lane lines, 5. 00. Sent Department
6% cheque No: 132, for $5. 9. June 1886.

15. June .. Henry [illegible] Stephens, Lane lines 10. 00. Sent Department 6%
cheque No: 140. for $10. on 15. June 1886.

18. June ... Thos: Thompson. .. Street lines .. 70. 00. Sent Department 6%
cheque No: 157. for $70. on 18. June 1886.

This return shows the sum of $500. lines gas paid in for the
department, as herein specified !!!

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Finance,
Ottawa! Ont.

J. [illegible]

Hamilton,
Ont.

June, July, & Aug.st 1826

			£ s. d.	
19. June 1826.	Geo: A. Brown, and Co.	Ordnance	50. 00.	Sent Department
" "	Daniel Lang	do. do.	166. 00.	B. draft No. 200. for 200.
	on the 19. June 1826.			
25. June	Thomas Stone	Naval Service	5. 00.	Sent Department B.s
" Sept. "	Thos: Thompson	Ord. Service	20. 00.	draft No: 178. for B.s
	on the 25. June 1826.			
29. June	A. M. Gauthier	Ord. Service	150. 00.	Sent Department B.s
Sept.	draft No: 189. for £150.	on 29. June 1826.		
30. June	J. M. Ramsay	Ordnance	20. 00.	Sent Department
" Sept. "	Philip Keller	Naval Service	10. 00.	B.s draft No: 192. for
" " "	Mr. A. Rose	Naval Service	5. 00.	£35. on 30. June 1826.
7. July	J. M. Ramsay	Ordnance	10. 00.	Sent Department
" " "	Anthony Wright	Naval Service	3. 00.	B. draft No: 208. for £14.
" " "	Thomas Smith	do. do.	1. 00.	on 7th July 1826.
19. July	Mr. Jean Lavoie	Civil Service	10. 00.	Sent Department B.s
" " "	Mr. Ann Chatman	Naval Service	5. 00.	draft No: 278. for £30.
" " "	Mr. A. Hunt, and Co.	do. do.	5. 00.	on 19. July 1826.
7. August	George Brown, and Co.	Naval Service	5. 00.	Sent Department B.s
" " "	James Gordon	do. do.	4. 00.	draft No: 289. for £6.
				on 7th August 1826.
12. August	John Shaw	Naval Service	5. 00.	Sent Department B.s
" " "	Angus McDonald	" "	5. 00.	draft No: 289. for £10. on the 12. August 1826.
	This return forms sep. [illegible]			

Ch. Ba. Deputy Minister
Department of Marine,
Ottawa 1st Oct.

John Wilson

Hamilton 1st
Oct.

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			£.	s.
[illegible] August 1866.	J. A. [illegible]	[illegible]	15.	00, [illegible]
" "	J. [illegible]	[illegible]	5.	00, [illegible]
2. August "	William [illegible]	[illegible]	10.	00. [illegible]
[illegible]				
" September "	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
" " "	[illegible]	" "	5.	00. [illegible]
12. September "	[illegible]	[illegible]	10.	00. [illegible]
[illegible]				
11. September "	[illegible]	[illegible]	5.	00, [illegible]
	[illegible]	" "	5.	00, [illegible]
[illegible] October "	[illegible]	[illegible]	5.	00,
" " "	[illegible]	" "	2.	00, [illegible]
" " "	[illegible]	" "	1.	00 [illegible]
" " "	[illegible]	" "	5.	00, [illegible]
" " "	[illegible]	[illegible]	6.	00, [illegible]
" " "	[illegible]	" "	1.	00.
14. October "	[illegible]	[illegible]	8.	00, [illegible]
	J. [illegible]	" "	"	" [illegible]
	[illegible] October 1866.	" "	"	" [illegible]

This return [illegible] $92.00.

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[illegible]
[illegible], Ont.

J. [illegible]

Hamilton,
Ont.

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October, Friday, December 6 — —

			D.	C.	
1826. — 20. October,	Daniel Steel, —	Rent Lines,	3.	00.	Sent Department 4c.
" " "	Sebastian Tuttle, —	— —	3.	00.	charge Mr. Steel, for 1825
" " "	Samuel Berry, —	— —	3.	00.	on 20. October 1826 —
23. October,	James Kirkman,	Rent Lines,	10.	00.	Sent Dep.t 4c. charge Mr.
" " "	James M. Berry, —	— —	1.	00.	for 1826. — on 23. Oct. 1826 —
27. October, —	Joseph Newton,	Rent Lines,	5.	00.	Sent Department 4c.
" " "	Jesse Hilliard, —	— —	4.	00.	charge, plus 25c. for 1825
" " "	Charles Wadsworth,	— —	20.	00.	on 27. October 1826 —
27. November,	Benjamin Ten,	Rent Lines,	5.	00.	Sent Department,
" " "	Jesse Leavitt, —	— —	5.	00.	charge, plus 100. for
" " "	Frank Jackson, —	— —	5.	00.	1826. on the 27th plus
" " "	Chas. Hazelton, Esq.	— —	5.	00.	October 1826 —
3rd December,	Richard Cropp, —	Rent Lines,	5.	00.	Sent Department 4c.
" " "	Wm. A. Dyer, —	— —	6.	00.	charge plus 50c. for 1825
" " "	Robert Carlton, —	— —	3.	00.	on 3rd December 1826 —
" " "	Williams, —	— —	3.	00.	paid on this account Cing
					1826. Amount of bill

Bills were sent for collection of the Revenues and

29. December,	Philip Cropp, —	Rent Lines,	5.	00.	Sent Department 4c
" " "	Abraham Berry, —	— —	5.	00.	charge plus 25c. for 1825
" " "	J. A. Phillips Esq. (Collector) Spring on,		5.	00.	on 29. December 1826

This collection footed up $112.00 cts. —

Chas. M. Young Auditor,
Department of Revenues,
Albany, N.Y.

J. M. Wilson —

Hamilton, —
Clerk.

Hamilton, Ont. –

Sir, 7th March 1886. –

In obedience to your Circular, dated 5th January 1885. – I send you herewith Returns of Licence fees, &c. collected and sent to the Department, during the year ending 31st of December 1885. amounting to $2,836.00 ¢. – – – as follows: –

1.	January ..	$ 55.00 ¢. –
2.	February. –	" 13.00.
3.	March. –	" 93.00.
4.	April. –	" 998.00.
5.	May. –	" 275.00.
6.	June. –	" 522.00
7.	July. –	" 34.00.
8.	August. –	" 46.00.
9.	September.	" 35.00.
10.	October. –	" 76.00.
11.	November. –	" 20.00.
12.	December. –	" 31.00.
Received for fish confiscated!		25.00.
	Total ..	$2,836.00 ¢.

Respectfully Submitted. –

John Wilson. –

Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries. – – –
Ottawa! Ont. –

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[illegible] January 1886. [illegible] January 1887. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 1886. amounting to $2,836.00 [illegible]:-

1.	January	$ 57.00
2.	February	" 15.00
3.	March	" 93.00
4.	April	" 998.00
5.	May	" 875.00
6.	June	" 583.00
7.	July	" 84.00
8.	August	" 46.00
9.	September	" 36.00
10.	October	" 76.00
11.	November	" 20.00
12.	December	" 31.00
Received on [illegible]		25.00
Total		$2,836.00

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January, 7.-

1887.-			$	¢	
4. January.-	Edward Demarche,	Spring licence,	1.	00.	
" " "	James Semmins.-	-"- -"-	1.	00.	I sent Dept. B.C. draft
" " "	John Rolland.-	-"- -"-	1.	00.	No: 184. for $10.- on the
" " "	James Smith.-	-"- -"-	1.	00.	4th January 1887.-
" " "	Charles Gage.-	-"- -"-	1.	00.	
" " "	Mortimer & Geo: Carey.	Boat licence.	5.	00.	
6. January.-	George White.-	Spring licence.-	1.	00.	
" " "	James Tyson.-	-"- -"-	1.	00.	
" " "	Thomas Tyson.-	-"- -"-	1.	00.	
" " "	Ramsay White.-	-"- -"-	1.	00.	
" " "	John Brown.-	-"- -"-	1.	00.	
" " "	George Hunter.-	-"- -"-	1.	00.	I sent Department B.C.
" " "	William Jameson.-	-"- -"-	1.	00.	draft No: 198. for $15.
" " "	James Jameson.-	-"- -"-	1.	00.	on the 6. January 1887.-
" " "	John Smith.-	-"- -"-	1.	00.	
" " "	James Pett.-	-"- -"-	1.	00.	
" " "	Israel Waterbury.-	-"- -"-	1.	00.	
" " "	Arthur Bates.-	-"- -"-	1.	00.	
" " "	Hiram Kinsale.-	-"- -"-	1.	00.	
" " "	F. A. Carey.-	-"- -"-	1.	00.	
" " "	Thomas Jones.-	-"- -"-	1.	00.	

This return represents $25.00 of herein specified! as above!!!

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa. Ont.

John W. Kerr.-
Hamilton.
Ont.

January. 1.-

4. January.	James Simmons.	Opening Balance.			1.	00.	
" "	James Simmons.	--	--	--	1.	00.	Cash Order No. 1
" "	John Dawson.	--	--	--	1.	00.	Ch: 189. Per 1 1/2 - do
" "	James Smith.	--	--	--	1.	00.	4th January 1887
" "	Thomas Page.	--	--	--	1.	00.	
" "	Allotment. 4th Jan: Survey.	Cost Account.			5.	00.	

4. January.	George White.	Opening Balance.		1.	00.
" "	James Dyson.	--	--	1.	00.
" "	James Dyson.	--	--	1.	00.
" "	Thomas White.	--	--	1.	00.
" "	John Dawson.	--	--	1.	00.
" "	George Hunter.	--	--	1.	00. Cash Deposit 6th
" "	William Jameson.	--	--	1.	00. Cash No: 198. Per 1 1/2.
" "	James Jameson.	--	--	1.	00. on the 6. January 1887.
" "	John Smith.	--	--	1.	00.
" "	James Bell.	--	--	1.	00.
" "	Thomas Waterbury.	--	--	1.	00.
" "	Arthur Oates.	--	--	1.	00.
" "	Adam Simmons.	--	--	1.	00.
" "	G. H. Young.	--	--	1.	00.
" "	Thomas Jones.	--	--	1.	00.

This Return represents $250.00 of Assets opening! as above!!!

The Deputy Minister.
Department of Statistics.
Ottawa. Ont.

Thomas Allen
Ont.

January 7.—

			The	£.	s.
1867— 10. January.	Louis Lang.		Spring Lime.	1.	00.
" " "	Lewis Stickley.		" "	1.	00.
" " "	Jerry Hudson.		" "	1.	00.
" " "	William Yates.		" "	1.	00.
" " "	Edward Charles.		" "	1.	00.
" " "	George Cook.		" "	1.	00.
" " "	Louis Hopkins.		" "	1.	00.	Dead Department.
" " "	Henry Newton.		" "	1.	00.	Not accepted this year.
" " "	William Hamilton.		" "	1.	00.	on 12. January 1867.—
" " "	Walter Nelson.		" "	1.	00.
" " "	Thomas Rathbun.		" "	1.	00.
" " "	Henry Sage.		" "	1.	00.
" " "	Wm Stevens.		" "	1.	00.
" " "	Joseph Smith.		" "	1.	00.
" " "	Wm Johnston.		" "	1.	00.
" " "	Wm Fiske.		" "	1.	00.
" " "	Louis de Gogne.		" "	1.	00.
15. January.	Thomas Joyce.		Dead Lime.	10.	00.	Dead Department.
" " "	Wm Wilson.		Spring Lime.	1.	00.	Accepted this year.
	Joseph Lilly.		" "	1.	00.	on 16. January 1867.

This return represents 39.— lime springers & one stone 111.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Militia,
Ottawa, Ont.

Hamilton,
Ont.

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" " "	James Tenny,	—	—	1. 00. on the 29 January 1887.
" " "	Richard Williams,	—	—	1. 00.
" " "	David Gardner,	—	—	1. 00.
" " "	Wm Joyce,	Aust Lime,		5. 00.

This return, respecting the Hamilton Superintendent's charge, is correct.

The Rev. my dear Sir,
Superintendent of Children,
Hamilton, Ont.

Hamilton,
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Hamilton, Ont.

Sir,

7. March 1887.

I have the respect to forward herewith [illegible] as mentioned! I sent the Department during the month of January 1887, no Lights for! the sum of Eighty [illegible]

Since the 20. January last, I sent in the Return of Fees, and receipts for Lighthouse fuel since the 30. June of 1886, amounts are expended by Engineers in my Knowledge on fuel during the year ending 31st day of December 1886...

I get no Lights yet, the first to the Department during the month of February last, has been seven hundred..... The single part of the matter is, that none of the Lighthouses in Hamilton, which are, Ont. Hamilton, Lake Ontario, Burlington, Ontario, Wellington and Port Colborne, Welland Canal, Ontario, Welland Canal, Ontario, are placed more or less, [illegible] the [illegible] in getting in the hundreds of which should be supplied with regular Lights, the Superintendent, Mariners, and the inhabitants of the Dominion of Canada! in which they [illegible], the I suppose they were thought unfit of any Lights.

Respectfully Yours...

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Chief Engineer

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Marine,
Ottawa, Ont.

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Hamilton! - Ont. -

8th March 1887. -

Sir, -

With reference to the Petition of the Brants fishermen presented to you by Wm Kerns Esqre M.P.P. for Halton on the 20th December 1886, praying that some aid be given them in consequence of the great loss they sustained by the storm of the 5th and 6th April 1886, referred to me for report thereon! - - -

In obedience to your order I beg to report that from personal enquiries made; and from my own knowledge and observation I am satisfied the Petition is correct, as addressed To, The Honorable The Minister of Marine and Fisheries, - for the Dominion of Canada. -

And from conversation I have had with Petitioners, the Fishermen at Brants! I am enabled to state for the information of the Department. - - That the beach, in order to protect it from damage and injury by future storms: now requires repairs to be done thereto, at Brants Harbour, to the extent of about $509: - as per estimated cost, handed me by Mr Thomas Joyce, - in behalf of himself and the other Petitioners! - - Fishermen residents there!!.

Estimate cost of 600 piles, at 35 cts each,	$210.00
3,000 feet Oak sheeting. -	75.00
Iron Bolts. -	25.00
6 Toise of Stone. - -	24.00
Cost of Construction. - - -	175.00
Total	$509.00

I understand Mr Robert Cheisholm, - of Oakville - owns the Harbour at Brants. -

Respectfully Submitted, and recommended: -

The Deputy Minister, -
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont. -

John Wakes, -
Fishery Overseer.

Ottawa, &c.

8th March 1887.

Until reference to the Petition of the Mount Pleasant Pensioner to you by Mr. Wilson M.P. on the 20th December 1886, proving that some one had been taken in consequence of the plant here they commenced by the return of the 7th and 16th March 1886, referred to me for report thereon:---

Also obedience to your order I beg to report that from personal inquiries made; and from my own knowledge and observation I am satisfied the Petition is correct, as addressed to the Honorable the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, for the Dominion of Canada.

Our from observation I have had until Petitioner the Pensioner at Oswego: I am enabled to state to the information of the Department.-- That the Pensioner has proved it from knowledge and inquiry by further efforts: now requires repairs to be done thereto, at Oswego Harbour, to the extent of about $250.00: as per Estimate sent herewith and by the Honorable Judge, in behalf of himself and the other Petitioners:-- Petitioner remains therein!!

Estimate cost of 600 piles at 35 cents. $210.00

3000 feet Oak planking.-- 75.00

Iron bolts.-- 25.00

6 tons of stone.-- 24.00

Cost of Superintendence.-- 150.00

Estimate by Robert Shackelton. Total $250.00

of Oswego. Town. the Harbour at Oswego.

Respectfully submitted, and recommended:-

The Deputy Minister. John Lewis

Department of Fisheries. Fishery Overseer

Ottawa, &c.

Wm. H. Emery Esqr. Merchant, & Wall St. Hamilton! Ont.

Private!

Hamilton! Ont.
8. March 1887.

My dear Friend, Mr. Emery.

I received your kind letter, the Telegraph, and the Turkeys safe this afternoon. -- I hope to be able for do you a favour some time hereafter, for the kindly manner in which Mrs. Emery, you and your children have always treated me .... I am sorry you lost your election in last Sept.; but bear it in mind that for 33 years, I have been voting Conservative in South Wentworth, but never won until last Election ....

Better late than never. - I am very glad to hear from you that Brown, Lindsay, & Jackson; voted for C. D. Gunditger ...

When I told you during last year, that I would get Lindsay to vote for Gunditger, you thought it an impossibility; he was, and simply - it was effected ....

I found Lindsay inclined that way on his return from Ottawa, last summer. -

I had a letter of thanks from Colonel D. Tisdale, for what little good I done for him in "Glorious Old Norfolk," - you entered the day there and helped Sir John A. Macdonalds - majority. -

The Noble Fellow, who appointed me Fishery Overseer, on the 16th of December 1864. --

About your Pound Net Licenses - I expect everything will all come out right, in the end! if you have any thing more to say on the subject - please write me on receipt of this. For I leave here on next Monday for the Fisheries department, Ottawa! having received the following invitation to come there! -- thus: -

(Copy.) - Wednesday. -

I read part of your letter to the Deputy, - that portion in which you allude to the speech you made to the Jackson, & Smoke of Turkey Point. -

She enjoyed it very much and says he would like very much to make your acquaintance. -- So you had better come down when you are ready; the sooner the better before the work of the Session begins. -- Start from Toronto, by G.T.R. 5. p.m. Express. -- You will arrive here about 5. o'clock in the morning. --

It will be too early for me to go to meet you, but you will find me at the office about 9.45. -- Bring your valise or satchel with you. -- You will spend all day at the office, have lunch and dinner at my place, enlighten the Deputy on things which he does not suspect and then you can leave the same evening by the 11.30. train and be in Hamilton next day. -- All your expenses will be paid. --

Come along John, and help us to put down bribery and corruption?! ----

Now you have it all, and in the

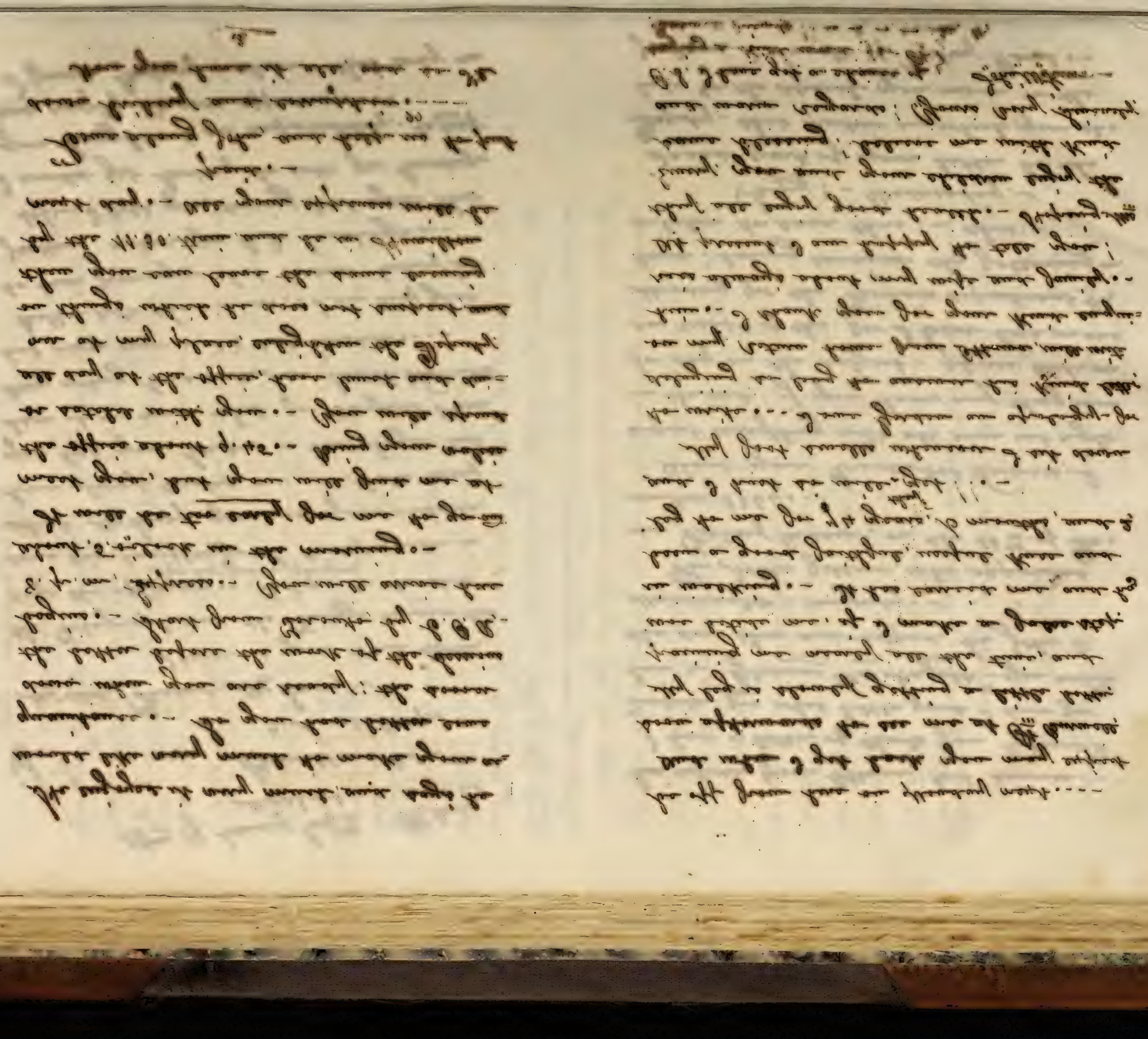
be off from here on Monday next. ---

And when I get back you may expect soon afterwards to see me at Ottawa, as my leg is slowly getting a little better, paining me nearly all the time, and woe betide me, if I make a false step in walking. -- It has carried me and has been a good faithful, useful Knee and leg to me for 74 years, 6 months, and 2, and I trust it will last yet!!. --

My foot swells whenever I sit down to write. -- I owe Gordon an apology for delaying so long to answer his kind letter, on my return home from Ottawa, will write him. -- I thank you for your kind enquiries always about my wife and family. -- At present I am happy to tell you! they all enjoy good health. -- Hoping Mrs Emery, you and your children enjoy the same blessing! believe me with kind and warm regards! Yours Very Sincerely,

John A. Macdonald

P.S. I have got a chance of sending a kind word for Mr Burwell's friends! -- -- -- -- -- &c.



Hamilton, Ont.
2. March 1886.-

My dear Stress!-

Will you please send me your of 20. since Jan.,- I am off to Ottawa,- on Monday next,- will go from here by 12.20. p.m. Train.. You might be in the City;- at the Union Station, at G. T. Ry.,- when she arrives.- I want to see you and have a talk.-

Yours Sincerely.-
John Wilson M.P.

C. Stress Esqre
The Number Reg.
Post Office, Ont.-

Strictly Private!-

Hamilton!- Ont.
9. March 1887.-

My friend, and brother,

John A. Allan! Cut Down!- Ont.-

I congratulate you on the victory won for Canada's most illustrious son.- The Right Honble Sir, John A. Macdonald, Premier of Canada! by Colonel David Tisdale, whom you and my Conservative friends elected, for Glorious old Norfolk.- In the little I did, I have a letter of thanks from the Colonel since his election!.-

I may have advise you that the Deputy Minister has invited me to come down to Ottawa, and see him; for he desires to make my personal acquaintance..

Now then if you have any thing further to say, come to Hamilton and I will meet you there.- I start for Ottawa, from here on next Monday.- Telegraph me! Yours fraternally.-
John Wilson

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Hamilton, Ont.
9. March 1887.–

My dear Mellonte.–

I was in Toronto, as I promised you I would.– Went out to the Humber by 11. a.m.– local Train, and on her return from Mimico to the City Toronto.– came back there again.–

No appearance of you from 12. Noon, until Train left at 12.20. p.m. when I left for,– I leave here on next Monday, by 12.20. p.m. Train, to go from Toronto by the G. T. Ry.– Express, at 2. p.m. for Ottawa, having advised to come down to see the Deputy Minister.– If you are at the Union Station on next Monday, when the Train Pulls to arrive you will be sure to see me!

Yours Sincerely.–

W. Mellonte Esq.
Highland Creek
Ont.–

J. Wilkie Esq.

Hamilton, Ont.
10. March 1887.–

My dear Mr. White,

All right. I got your $5. but your licence has not been received yet.– Go on and fish, your licence will come all right.––– What has become of our friend– John Grandfast.–

I hope you are quite well.–

With my warm regards.–

believe me: Yours Sincerely.–––

J. Wilkie
Fishery Commr.

Mr. George White,
Whitby,– Ont.

Captain Thomas Thompson.

Port Bruce. Ont.

If Quiette! Hamilton! Ont.

10. March 1887.

My dear Brother Thompson.

Your kind favour received, sorry to hear of your illness - glad to hear you are better and still improving. - -

I got a very bad fall on Sea - Christmas day, - and had a Providential escape from breaking my right thigh. - The sinews, tendons, muscles and cup or cap of Knee - suffered severely by the fall I got - for after I slipped I went off full force and rolled over! and in falling my Knee and leg got entangled under me. - I was so badly hurt that after I fell, I could not get up of my own free will and accord: - My Knee is bandaged up ever since. -

From accounts received from Mr Emery and John Ellison Jr. - I expected C. O. Ermatinger was sure of his Election; but the factes were against him. - although

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I got him 2 fine votes in Pt Burwell, myself. - Sir John, - will have a majority of 38 or 40 votes to carry on his Government triumphantly.

We have done well in this corner of Canada! commencing at Toronto in my fishing division of Lake Ontario! 3 returned to support Sir John, West York. 1. - Peel 1. - Hamilton 2. - South Wentworth 1. - Lincoln 1. - Welland 1. - Monck 1. and South Norfolk 1. - I had something to say and do in each Constituency - voted in Niagara and Wentworth - and my 2 Tenants voted for McCallum at Pt Credit. - -

I leave here on Monday next for Ottawa, as I have been invited to come down so that the Deputy Minister of Fisheries may make my Acquaintance, - and for other purposes. - On my return home you may soon thereafter expect me at Pt Bruce. - I will be only one day in Ottawa that will be next tuesday. - I will not forget you in any arrangements that will be made. - With my warm and kind regards to you and yours! believe me,

Yours fraternally, - John Wilkes

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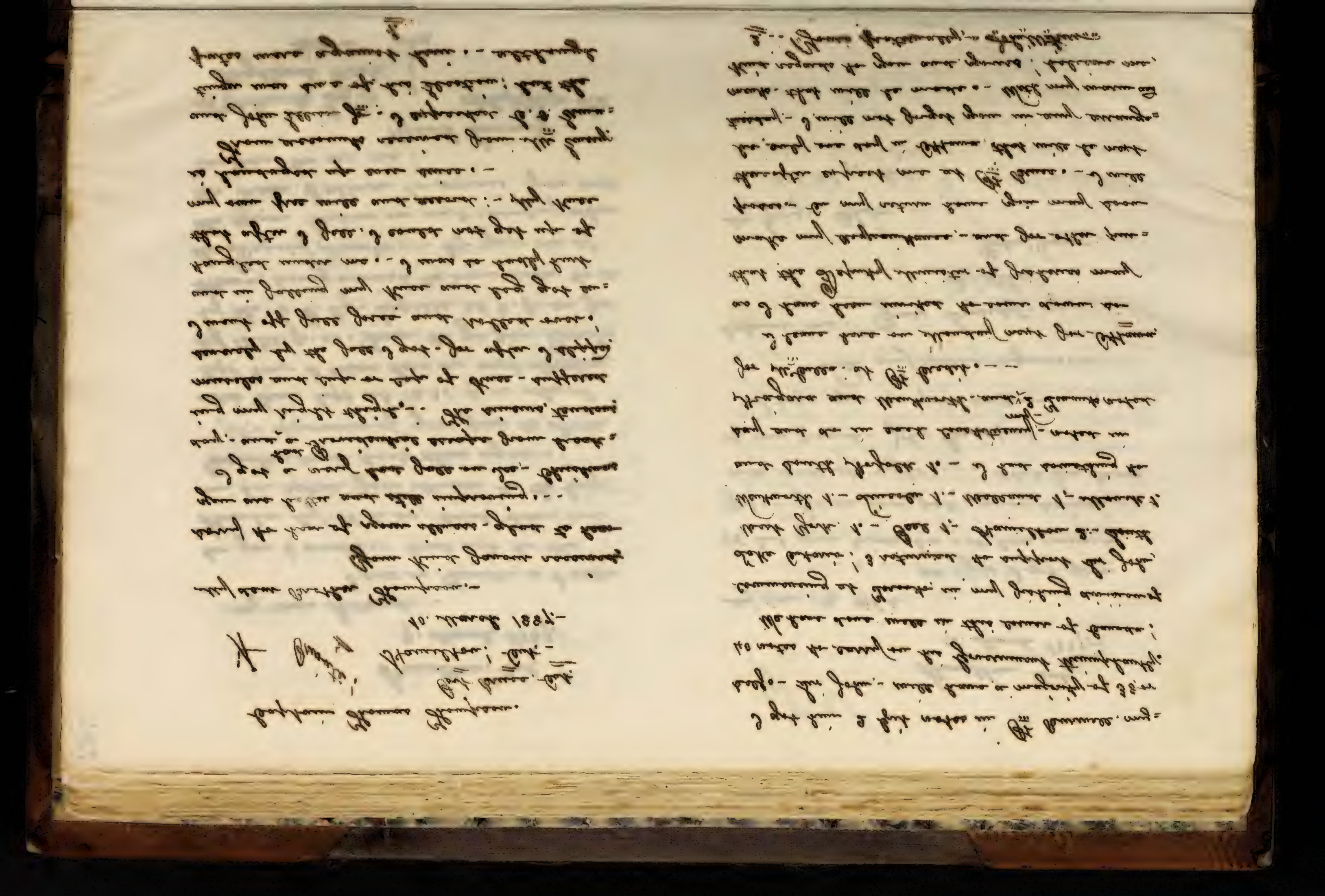

Hon: J. B. Plumb. —

Niagara! — Hamilton! Ont, —

Ont. 11. March 1887. ---

Honoured Sir. —

I am requested to come down to Ottawa, by the Deputy Minister of Fisheries — who has expressed his wish to make my acquaintance. — I go by the C. P. Ry. — Express. — from Toronto at 8. — p. m — next Monday evening! — expect to be all day on tuesday next in the office of the Department. — home from there again on tuesday night. — We beat the Grits again! — Sir John, I am glad to see will have a good working majority when the House meets in April. — I was at Niagara and voted for J. C. Rykert on the polling day; I got him some votes at Queenston and elsewhere. — When I went in to vote at Niagara! O'Brien the Grit scrutineer had me sworn. — Came here and voted for Carpenter, helped all I could to overthrow the Enemy who were so sure of Victory, according to their own account. ---

In my Fishery Division of Lakes Ontario and Erie! 12 Constituencies, returned Conservatives to support Sir John A. Macdonald, long may he reign! —

And I saw by the Press, that you were all throughout the fight battling successfully with the crafty - disloyal crowd. — I hope your sincere successful efforts will now place you in the Ministry — and as leader in the Senate! — Your friends desire to see this accomplished, and none of them more than I do myself. —

Yours respectfully, —

John Kerr — J.P.

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S. P. Bennet Esqre

&c. &c. &c.

Ottawa, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont. —

17. March 1887. —

My dear Friend Mr Bennet. —

I got home safe and sound at 3. p. m. on Wednesday. — The Train was an hour behind time on leaving Ottawa, so that in consequence of many other necessary stoppages; for the safe working of the C. P. Ry. — we did not arrive in Toronto until 10. 45. — a. m. — more than 2 hours behind time. ---

This did not militate in any way against my getting home sooner, as the Train from Toronto to Hamilton does not leave before 12. 20. p. m. — And now My dear friend, for the kindly and courteous manner in which the Deputy Minister of Fisheries received me, and talked with me; and introduced me to The Honble The Minister of Marine and Fisheries — for Canada, I have to thank you, always kind to me. --- I do so from the bottom of

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my warm Conservative heart, you know me so long; and you know me so well. --

I must express myself to you as an old faithful and sincere friend of mine! the effect the warm and kindly greeting I received from Canada's first Deputy Minister of Fisheries, has had upon me! —

I felt and I now feel, as if fresh vigour has been imparted to me, and that I have been made more good and useful to the Department, by my recent visit for the next 5 years! than if such a visit had not happened; it has been so kind of Mr Tilton, to think of this on my account. --

What a blessing it is for me to be able to say: and you have been it: — "That old age has not yet commenced to hang on me!" —

Thank the Deputy for me and please say I will write him myself, on tomorrow. ---

Kindly remember me to Mrs Bennet, your daughter, son and niece. --- Yours very truly, —

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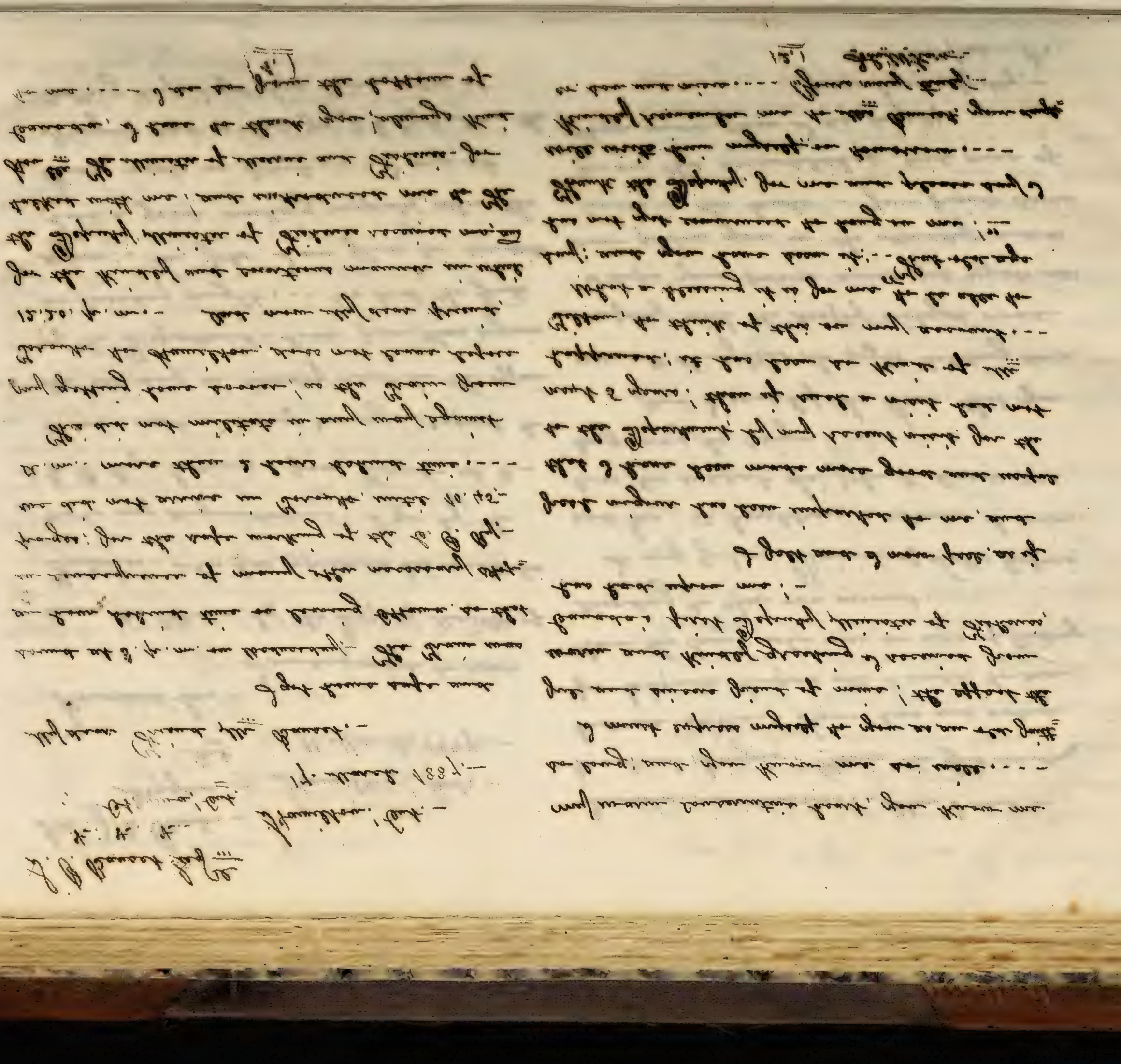

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Hamilton! Ont. –
18. March 1887. – –

My Esteemed Deputy Minister. –

I wrote Mr Bauset on yesterday, he will as a matter of course tell you about it. – – My leg and knee was comfortable on the way up home. – – I feel satisfied now! that I am getting all O.K. right again. –
I had six business letters to answer on my arrival home. – – You would be surprised at the extent of the correspondence carried on between the Fishermen and myself on business. –
I send you two letters, – please read and return them to me. – – These letters will show you the kindly feeling existing between the fishermen! Sir John A. Macdonald and the Government. – – It is a pleasure to me to cultivate and encourage that friendship. –

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Page and Baladeu were reformers, when you placed me in charge of the Legin Division of Lake Erie! Captain John Ellison Jr. is a host in himself. – The Election was lost for it appears the Conservative organisation was bad for Kratzinger in St Thomas. – –
It was very kind and considerate of you to invite me to come and see you at Ottawa, and have a chat. – – For you to take notice of me, is more gratifying to me, than I can express it. – – It is pleasant for me to know that my humble exertions are favourably noticed by you; and then the courteous manner in which you received me and introduced me to the Minister, took me over, and engrafted me more firmly to you and the Department. – – The interviews being over; and sorry to part, having finished up my business to Ottawa! I felt happy and

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contented, not feeling any desire to stop longer in Ottawa, and returned home here by the first conveyance. —

You can always rely upon me. —

Believe me with much and due respect,

Your Obedient Servant. —

John Wilkins. J.P.

John Tilton Esqre

Deputy Minister of Fisheries.

for Canada! Ottawa. — Ont. —

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P.S.

I will write the letter you talked to me about next week. —

Yours, &c. John Wilkins. J.P.

Private!

Hamilton! Ont.

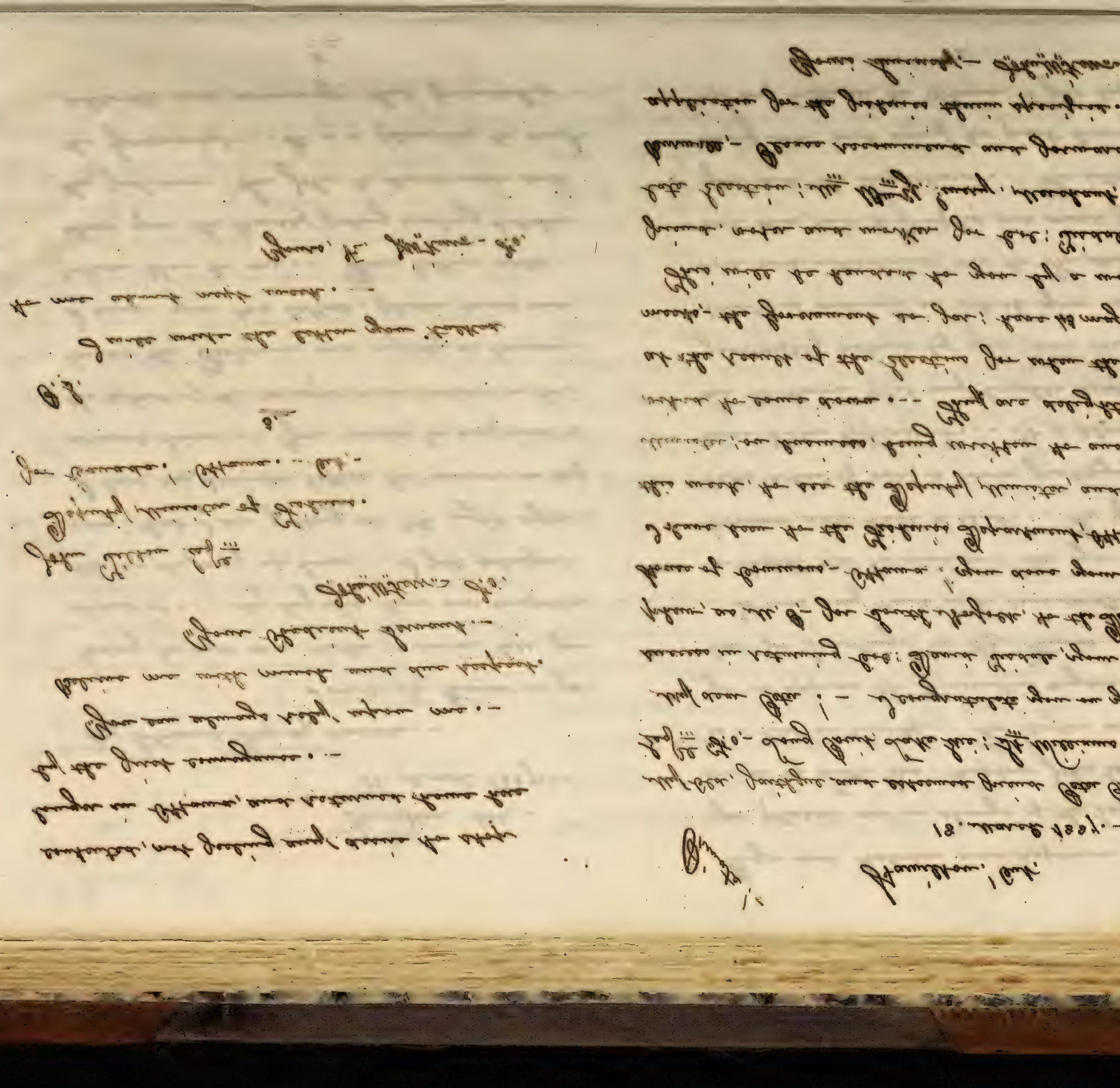
18. March 1887. — —

My Old, faithful and esteemed friend Peter Price, Esqre P.O. — Long Point, Lake Erie; St Williams. Ont.

My dear Peter! — I congratulate you on your success in returning Col: David Tisdale, your nephew, as M.P. — for South Norfolk, to the Dominion House of Commons, — Ottawa! you done your duty. I have been to the Fisheries Department, Ottawa, this week, to see the Deputy Minister, and the Minister, on business, being written to and invited to come down. — They are delighted at the result of the Elections for when the House meets, — the Government so far; have 43 majority. —

This will be handed to you by a warm friend, voter and worker for Col: Tisdale at late Election; Mr Wm Cf. Emery, Merchant, Port Burwell, — Please recommend and forward his application for the fisheries therein specified. — —

Yours Sincerely, — John Wilkins. J.P.



Private!

Hamilton! Ont.—

18. March 1887.—

My dear friend Mr Emery.---

I have been to the Fisheries department, Ottawa, this week to see Canada's first Deputy Minister of Fisheries, and have consultations with him! he treated me like a Prince! and amongst other things he has come to the conclusion to appoint me Inspector of Fisheries, at an increased Salary.- for to superintend and look after other Fishery offices, the very thing you wrote me about some short time ago! — Now then, my friend what I want you to do for me. is to get a recommendation for me from Mr C. A. Armstinger, the late Conservative Candidate - to John Tilton Esqre Deputy Minister of Fisheries, Ottawa, recommending me for promotion! I completed 22 years, as Fishery Overseer, on the 16th of December 1886. —

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This done, please enclose Mr Armstingers letter to me. - You can tell him that I asked and got Brown, Cudney and Jackson - to vote for him! - I got 2 others to vote and work also. I expect to be retained as your Fishery officer, in the County of Elgin. — "Keep them about this" My Knee is still weak, I can walk and on the whole I am getting well. --- But as people talk about certain persons - "I am weak in the right Knee" - I will tell you all that passed between myself and The Minister and The Deputy Minister, and Elections when I see you. - I intend to apply for all the licences for East Elgin, next week. - I will recommend that Messrs Emery and Coy - Brown, and Cudney, and Frank Jackson - receive a licence for to fish 5 Ponds, this year, on the same grounds, - you and each of you occupied during last year with your Ponds,-

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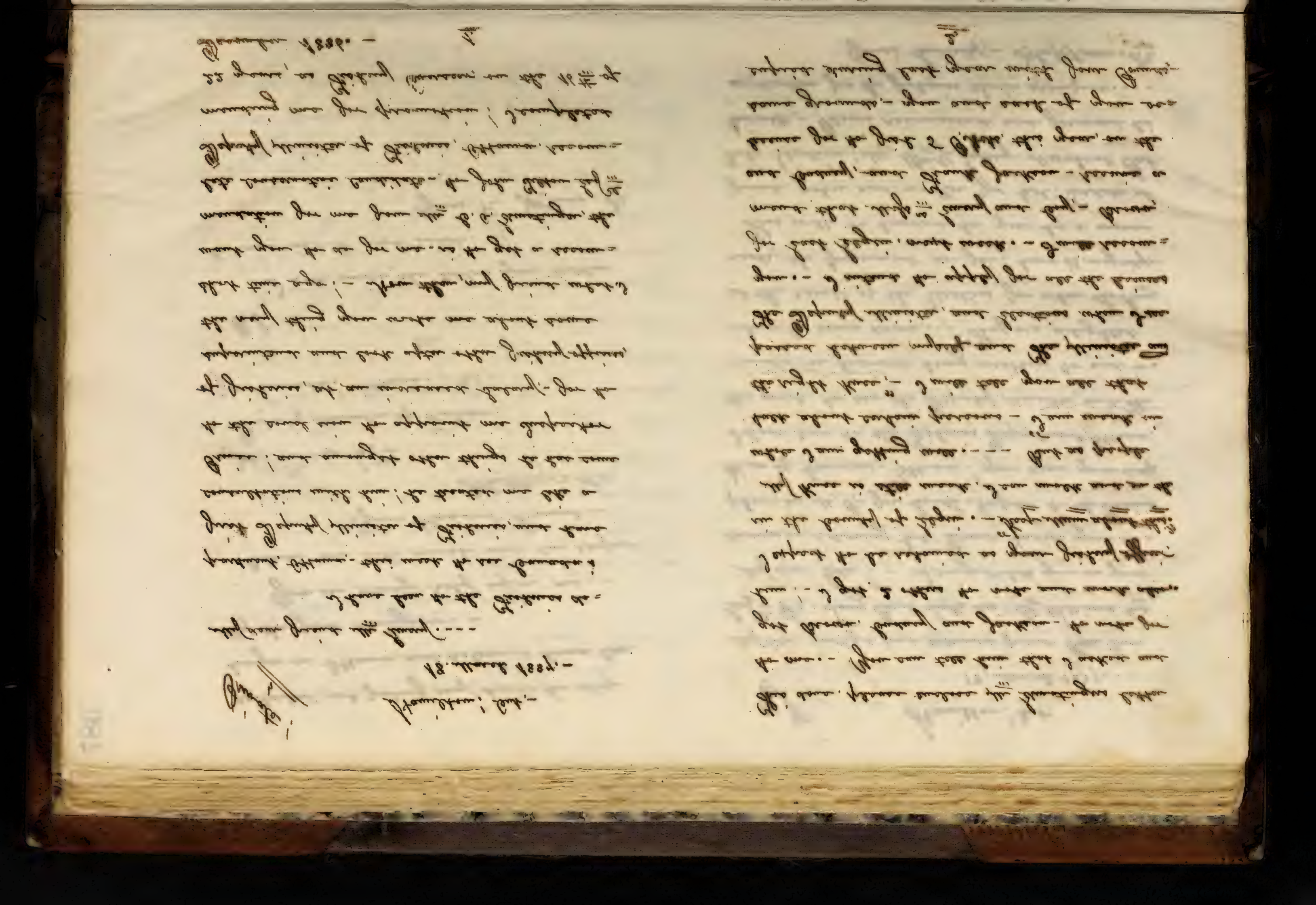


Now as regards Isaac Becker, D. Sharp, and Swan, are all right, – paddle your own Canoe !! –

Now as regards the strip of land and marsh situated on Long point, between the Old Cut, and the New Cut: say about one mile Lake frontage. – This is neutral ground, or more properly – a Light House Reserve. – I advised Peter Price to take hold of it, last fall! and I told him you would be an applicant for the place and to recommend you for a license to fish 2 pound nets there during this current year of 1887. – I enclose a letter for Mr Peter Price, – Mr Williams, also the application; give him the licence fee $10, and let him forward it to the Fisheries department, Ottawa. –

I hope this will suit you if you get it. – This weather is hard on my Knee and

leg! – but it is good it is no worse! –

Young of Mr Bruce, – applied for a licence to fish 6 pound nets. – – –

Except my Knee and leg: I am just about as usual. I am reduced from 242. to 221 lbs in weight, but in other respects – I am not affected in any way. – – Out of 14 Counties – in my fishing division! 13. returned Conservatives to support Sir, John A, and his good Government. –

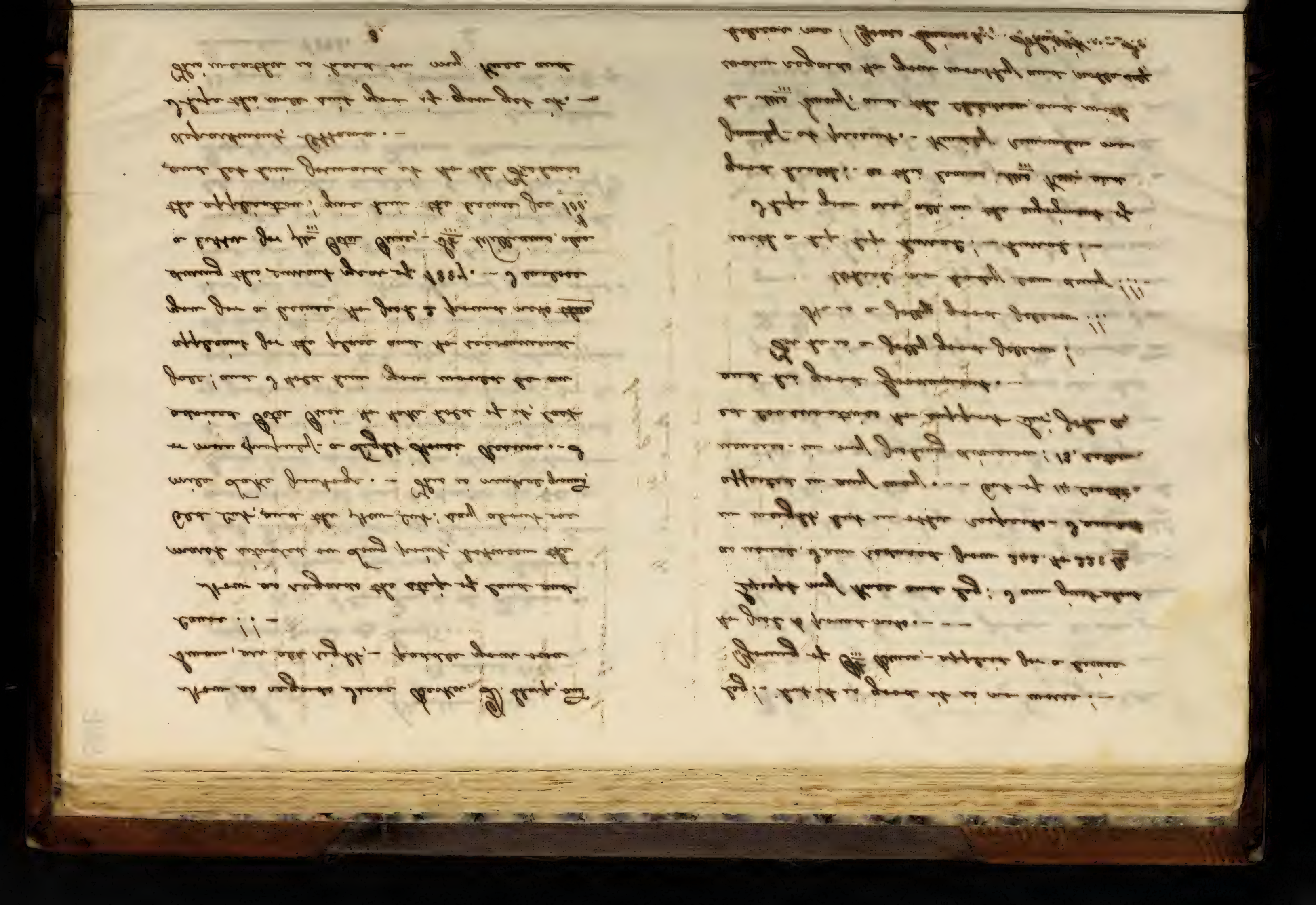
For he is a Jolly good fellow!

He is a Jolly good fellow !!

Which no body can deny !!! –

with a hip hip hurrah! – hurrah! –

I hope you are all in the enjoyment of good health: as this leaves Mrs Kerr and family – at present. – Kindly remember me to Mrs Emery, and the children and with warm regards to your worthy and noble self, believe me! Yours Sincerely, John H. Kerr &c.



St. Williams,- Ont, -

March 1887.--

Sir,-

I have the honor to apply to you for a license in behalf of Mr. Wm. Y. Emery, of Pt. Burwell, "For to fish two Pound Nets, single pots or heads, in that portion of Lake Erie, situated between the Old Cut, and the New Cut, and situated on the west end of Long Point, about one mile Lake frontage.- The same being in the Township of Walsingham."--

I consulted Overseer J. W. Kerr, of Hamilton, about this early in the month of January last.---

The property is a Light House Reserve, with a Light House situated thereon; and it forms no part of the Long Point Company's property, being west of their Holding! -

I enclose herewith Bank Draft No: for $100. and I recommend that you will be pleased to grant said license for this current year of 1887.-

I have the Honor to be,

Sir, -

Your Obedient Servant,

Fishery Overseer, -

John Tilton Esqre.
Deputy Minister of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont. -

Mr. Robinson:- Sir -

Mr. -

Dated 1887.--

I have the honor to apply to you for a license in behalf of Mr. W. H. Henry, of Thurmond, for to sell two Quart whole, single pots or bottles, in that portion of said Town, situated between the Lot but one the above lot, situated on the west side of Long Street about one mile distant postage. - The same being in the Township of Wellington.---

I remain Your's, W. Hen. of Hamilton about this early in the month of January last.---

The property is a eight house Dwelling with a eight house attached thereon, but it forms no part of the long Unit. Comprising property being west of this Dwelling:-

I enclose herewith Bank Draft No: for $100. and I recommend that you write to Pheasant to grant this license for this current year of 1887.-

I have the honor to be,

Sir -

Your Obedient Servant,

Victory Emerson -

John Robinson Esq.
Deputy Minister of Finance,
Ottawa. Ont. -

Hamilton! Ont. -

Sir. -

21st March 1887. - - -

On my return home from Ottawa, on last Wednesday, I had a letter from Mr W. D. Pollock, of Brouta, Warden of the Twelve and Sixteen Mile Creeks of Halton! telling me he had [illegible] nor communication from you nor the Department since the 15th March 1886. - - -

Mr Pollock, a worthy man was in the first place appointed upon the recommendation of William McCraney, Esqre M. P. for Halton! - "To protect a few salmon, said to be in the Twelve and Sixteen mile creeks at the time!" - During some years past I have heard of no more salmon in the creeks referred to, and consequently as there is nothing for Mr W. D. Pollock, to do, he may receive an honorable discharge! - And I recommend that his services be dispensed with on the 31st of this present month. - - -

The Department owe Mr W. D. Pollock, one years salary of $30. - which I respectfully recommend that you will be pleased to pay him. -

Respectfully submitted and recommended. -

I Have the Honor to be,
Sir. -
Your Obedient Servant. -
J. Hill Wickens
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries. -
Ottawa, Ont.

Hamilton! Ont.

Sir -

21st March 1887. ---

In my return home from Ottawa, on last Monday, I had a letter from Mr. W. Gilbert of Toronto, Warden of the Toronto and Simcoe and Muskoka District, asking me to [illegible] my communication from you on the Department since the 15th March 1886. ---

Mr. Gilbert is anything more than in the first place appointed upon the recommendation of Mr. Bowman, Mp. ex. M.P. for Muskoka. He practised a few months, I am to be in the Toronto and Muskoka District at the time. ?? Having some years ago I have heard of no more Indians in the District.

Hence, and consequently as there is nothing for Mr. W. Gilbert, to do, he may receive an honorable discharge. But I recommend that his services be dispensed with on the 31st of this present month. ---

The Department owes Mr. W. Gilbert, one years salary $30.- which I respectfully recommend that you write be pleased to pay him. —

Respectfully submitted and recommended. —

I have the honor to be,

Sir —

Your obedient servant —

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Acting Superintendent

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Indians. —
Ottawa! Ont.

Hamilton! Ont. –

Sir. –

21st March 1887. – – –

I beg to apply to you for a Boat License for Mr. George White of Whitby. – For to fish 500 yards of Pike and Herring gill nets – in Whitby Harbour and in Lake Ontario. fronting on Whitby Harbour! the same being in South Ontario". –

I respectfully beg to recommend that you will be pleased to grant the same during this current year of 1887. – at the usual rate of Five dollars. – – –

Respectfully Submitted! –

I have the Honor to be.

Sir. –

Your Obedient Servant. –

John Wilkes. –

Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries. –
Ottawa! – Ont. –

Hamilton! Ont. –

Sir. –

21st March 1887. – –

I beg to apply to you for a Boat licence for the George Hicks of Hamilton. – He is fitted 300 yards of Nets and drawing yale nets – in Hamilton Harbour and in Lake Ontario. fishing on Hamilton Harbour. He owns being in North Ontario". –

Respectfully beg to recommend that you will be pleased to grant the same during the current year of 1887. – at the usual rate of Nine dollars. – –

Respectfully submitted! –

I have the Honor to be.

Sir. –

Your Obedient Servant. –

Hamilton.

Fishery Inspector.

The Deputy Minister.

Department of Fisheries. –

Ottawa. Ont. –

Mem: for S. O. Bousquet Esqre
Fisheries Department. —
Ottawa! Ont. —

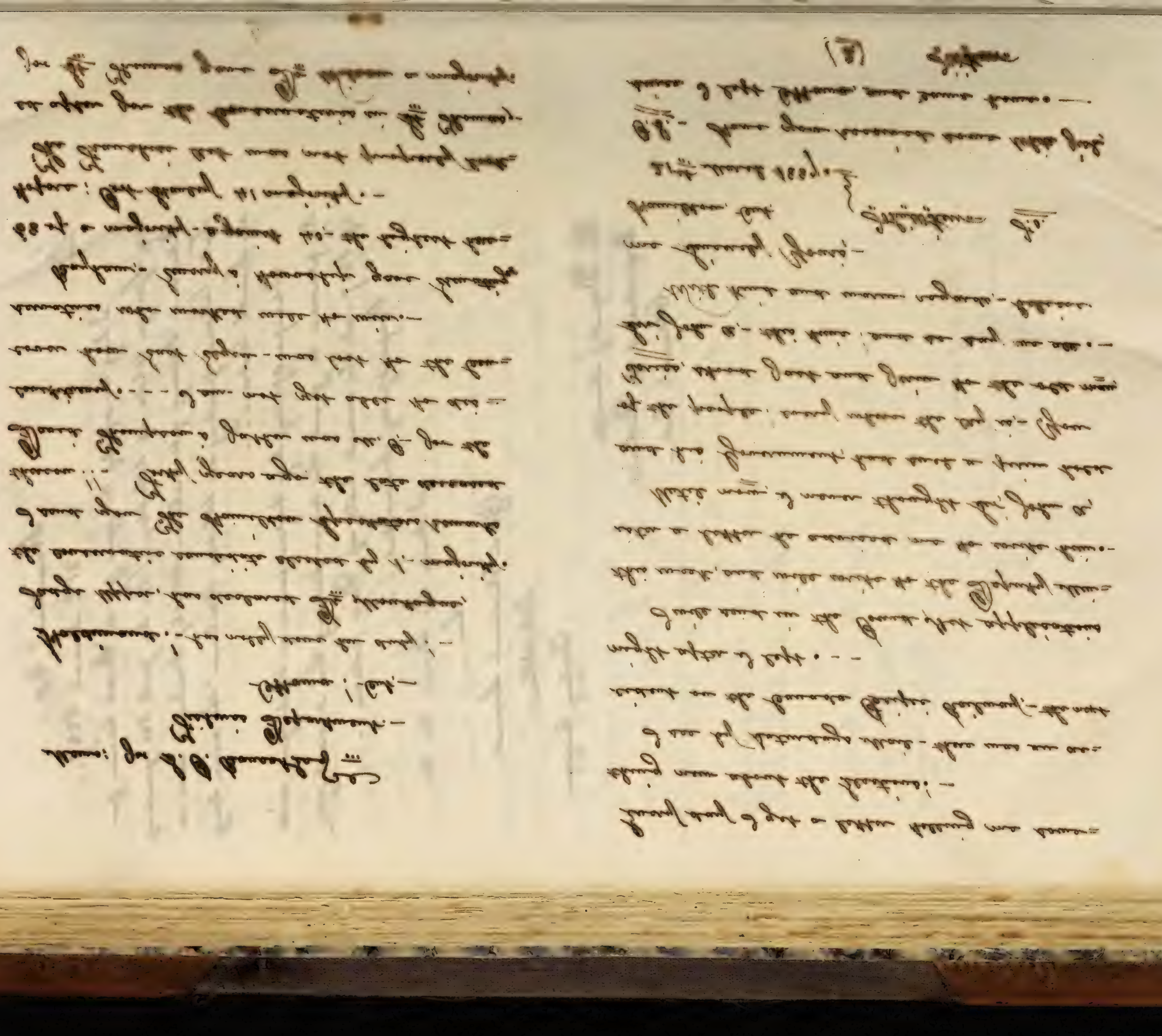
Haldimand! — has nobly done her duty! —
Judge Upper, has declared Dr. Montague,
the conservative candidate elected by 1,— majority.
I send you The Hamilton Spectators remarks
thereon!! — Forty years ago the late deceased
David Thompson's father was M. P. — for the
Constituency. — — I am not yet able to dis=
cover how East Elgin — was lost to the Con=
servatives who worked well to win. —

Bayham, — Emery's township gave Emerson
63 of a majority — against 40, — the highest here=
tofore; Port-Stanley 41 majority. —
The Franchise Act was not properly tested
as for the Conservatives in St. Thomas, —
for St. Thomas gave Dr. Wilson a majority.

Every day I get a letter telling me some=
thing new about the Elections! —
I see by Saturdays Mail — there was an ac=
cident on the Canada Pacific Railway, — the next
night after I left. — —
I will send in the Pound Net applications
this week, and will write to the Deputy Min=
ister a letter he advised me to write him. —
Until now, I never thought Sir John A,
and his Government, had such a firm hold
of the people, every where the day is, — You
Tories, stood fast and firm to the old man
Sir John A, — this time; and so say we all. —
With kind and warm regards, — believe
me Sincerely Yours, —
Hamilton, Ont. John Wilson J.P.
21st March 1887.

P.S. — Have you received some bills fish,
since I left Ottawa, and came home. —

(2) Wilson



Elgin Division!....

Names of Pd. Net Fishermen 1886...	Residence!-	Locality of Pound or Pounds....	No: of Pounds applied for in 1887.-	No: of Pounds recommended to be grant.
Dan: Patterson,	Aldborough..	1. Pound opposite No: 8, and the	He applies	
	Aldborough	other two, opposite B Lot, front or 14th	for 4 pounds,	
	Post office.	Concession of Aldborough.-	for 1887...	
S. W. Gauthier,	Sandwich.	Two Pounds on the East side of lot	He ap=	
	Sandwich.-	20.. One Pound on line between	plies for 3.	
	Sandwich..	Lots, Nos: 17 and 16.- 14th Concession	Pounds for	
	Post office.	Township of Aldborough.-	1887....	3.-
Dan: Lang!	Eagle Harbour,	One Pound in front of lot 14.	He applies	
	Aldborough	Two Pounds in front of lot No:	for 3 Pounds,	
	Eagle Post office.	21.- 14th Concess. Aldborough.	for 1887..	3.-
Joseph Page,	Tyrconnell.	One Pound on line between Lots	They ap=	
one Bay..	Post office.	3 and 4.- 10th Concession, and	ply for	
		one pound on line between Lots	2 pounds,	
		5 and 6.- 10th Concess. Dunwich..	for 1887.	2.-
Wm. Church,	Tyrconnell.	One Pound in front of Lot 6.-	He ap=	
	Post office,	One on a line between lots,	plies for 3,	
		Nos: 12, and 13.- 10th Con=	Pounds, for	
		cession of Dunwich....	1887....	2.-
John Ellison Jr.	Port Stanley,	One on the town line between	He has	
	Post office.	Dunwich and Southwold.-	applied	
		One opposite Mc Beths Estate.-	for six	
		One in front of Robiers farm.-	Pounds,	
		One in front of Mc Beths Estate,	for the	
		next to D. Campbells.- and	year	
	Southwold!	One in front of Anthony Crance	- 1887....	5.-
John Price,-	Port Stanley,	One in front of Lot 4, Southwold	He has	
	Post office,	One in front of Lot 10.- -"-	applied	
		One in front of Lot 13.- -"-	for six Pd.	
		One in front of Lot 7, Yarmouth.-	for year	
		One in front of Pt. 1/2, lot 15.- -"-	1887.-	5.-
		1.... Carried	Over!...	23.-

Belgrin Division.

Names of the Ratepayers 1886.	Residence.	Locality of House or Premises.	No. of Houses applied for Assessment in 1887.	No. of Houses to be given.
Mrs. Cottrell.	Wellington St.	1. House opposite No. 8, near the	One applies for 4 houses for 1887.	
	Wellington St.	other two opposite Lot. Part or the		
	Cart office.	Possession of Wellington St.		
G. M. Smithson.	Hawkwick.	One House on the East side of lot	One applies for 3 Houses for 1887.	
	Hawkwick.	20. One House on line between		
	Hawkwick.	Lots Nos: 17 and 16. 14th Concession		
	Cart office.	Thornbury of Wellington St.		
Mrs. Long.	Eagle Hotel.	One House in front of lot 14.	One applies for 3 Houses for 1887.	3.
	Wellington St.	One House in front of lot No:		
	Eagle Cart office.	21. 14th Concession Wellington St.		
Joseph Gage.	Gravesend.	One House on line between Lots	One applies for 2 Houses for 1887.	2.
Mrs. Long.	Cart office.	3 and 4. 10th Concession, and		
		one House on line between Lots		
		5 and 6. 10th Concession		
Mr. Kennedy.	Gravesend.	One House in front of lot 6.	One applies for 3 Houses for 1887.	2.
	Cart office.	One on a line between Lots,		
		No: 12, and 13. 10th Con=		
		cession of Sunnidale.		
John Wilson.	Cart Factory.	One on the town line between	One has applied for 1887.	2.
	Cart office.	Sunnidale and Northwood.		
		One opposite Mr. Watts hotel.		
		One in front of Barton's farm.		
		One in front of Mr. Watts hotel,		
		next to Sampson's. One		
		One in front of Anthony Barnes		
John Wise.	Cart Factory.	One in front of lot 4. Northwood	One has applied for 1887.	5.
	Cart office.	One in front of lot 10.		
		One in front of lot 13.		
		One in front of lot 7. Sunnidale		
		One in front of Mr. Wm. lot 15.		
		17. Remained over		23.

Legin Division !- Continued !-

Names of Ptes Net Fishermen, 1886.-	Residence !-	Locality of Pound or Pounds !-	No: of Ptes applied for in 1887.--	No: of Ptes recommended to be granted
		Carried forward !-		23.-
F. A. Kentze,	Copenhagen, Port Bruce.-	Two Pounds between Dexter side road, and townline between Malahide and Yarmouth.-	He applied for 2 Pounds for 1887.-	2.-
Ros. Thompson,	Port Bruce, Post office.-	Two Pounds.- Southington Lot No: 25, township of Malahide.-	He applied for 2 Ptes for 1887.	2.-
Lyman Young and Co,	Port Bruce, Post Office,	One in front of townline between Malahide and Yarmouth.--	They have applied	
	-"-	One in front of No: 8, Malahide	for seif	
	-"-	One in front of No: 14.- -"--	Pounds for	
	-"-	One in front of No: 20... do!	1887.--	5.-
Jas: A. Brown,	Pt Burwell,	One in front of Lot 28, front	They have	
Wm. Cudney,	Post office.	Concession of Malahide.--	applied	
	-"-	Two in front of the Townline,	for 5 Ptes	
	-"-	between Malahide and Bayham.	for	
	-"-	And one in front of Lot 5,	Year	
	-"-	front Concession Bayham.-	1887.-	5.-
W. H. Tinney,	Pt Burwell,	One in front of Lot 17, front	They have	
Henry Swan,	Post office.	Concession of Bayham.-	applied	
Wm Bonthouse	-"-	One near the Town line be=	for 5 Ptes	
	-"-	tween Houghton & Bayham.	for the	
	-"-	Two in front of lot No: 15.-	year	
	"	front Concession, Bayham.-	1887.-	5.-
Frank Jackson,	Pt Burwell,	Two in front of Lot 6,	He has ap=	
	Post office	front Concession Houghton.	plied for	
		Two in front of Lot 28.-	5 Ptes for	
		front Concession.----	1887.-	5.-
			Grand Total.-	47.--

I recommend that the number placed by me, in the proper column opposite each applicants name be granted !- Respectfully Recommended !!!.-

The Deputy Minister,- Department of Fisheries,-

Ottawa,- Oct,

John W. Kerr- F. O.-

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Tay Division :- Continued :-

Name of Ward.	Residence :-	Description of Road or Street :-	Amount of Grant applied for in 1887.	Amount of Grant recommended to be granted
		Municipal Government :-		
Ward.	Independent.	The Road between Clyde side road, and township between Blackfield and Fairmount.	Amount applied for 2 Grants for 1887.	£3.-
Ward.	Not Given.	The Road - Pentington Lot 27, township of Blackfield.	Amount applied for 2 Grants for 1887.	£2.-
Ward.	Not Given. Not office.	The in front of township between Blackfield and Fairmount.	Amount applied for 1 Grant for 1887.	£2.-
		The in front of Lots 8, Blackfield		
		The in front of Lots 10, "		
		The in front of Lots 20 &c.		
Ward.	Commercial.	The in front of Lot 28, Front	Amount applied for 2 Grants for 1887.	£6.-
Ward.	Not office.	Concession of Blackfield.		
		The in front of the township between Blackfield and Dunham.	Amount applied for 3 Grants for 1887.	£6.-
		Lots one in front of Lot 5,		
		Front Concession Dunham.		
Ward.	Commercial.	The in front of Lot 17, Front	Amount applied for 1 Grant for 1887.	£6.-
Ward.	Not office.	Concession of Dunham.		
		The near the Town line between Clarkston & Dunham.	Amount applied for 3 Grants for the year 1887.	£6.-
		The in front of Lot Lots 15.		
		Front Concession, Clarkston.		
Ward.	Commercial.	The in front of Lot 6,	Amount applied for the year 1887.	£6.-
	Not office.	Front Concession Clarkston.		
		The in front of Lot 28.	5 Grants for 1887.	£5.-
		Front Concession.		

Recommended that the number placed by me, Grant Clerk. - £47.-

The Deputy Minister, - in the proper column opposite each application name of Municipality of District, be granted :- Respectfully recommended. !!!.-

Ottawa, - Oct.

Philippe. C.C.

Hamilton! Ont.—
21st March 1887.—

Sir,—

I beg most respectfully to submit to you herewith! the applications for licences for Pound Net Fishermen of the Elgin Division, of Lake Erie for to fish in Lake Erie, fronting on the County of Elgin, and in front of the Township of Houghton, as far East, as the east side of Lot No: 16, Front Concession; during this current year, at the usual rate of $50.— per Pound.— payable in advance.—

Last year 43. Pounds were fished within the limits herein described.— I have increased this number by four Pounds only— for Messrs Young of Port Bruce! Emery and Coy,— Brown and Coy,— and F. Jackson, of Port Burwell, by one additional Pound net each: making the total for this current year 47, Pound Nets— altogether.—

They are all deserving men, having considerable property invested in the fisheries viz: Four Tugs, and eight boats,— Besides a Freezer of 150 Tons capacity!— Ice Houses,— and many other things, requisite to make the business a success.— The loss and damage to the Pound Nets,— on the 14th October last, in Elgin Division, was extensive, as reported to you by me at the time! after it happened.—

These men whom I have I have recommended to receive an additional Pound each, are worthy of consideration.— I respectfully recommend that you will be pleased to receive and adopt this report.—

The
Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa! Ont,—

I Have the Honor to be,—
Sir,—
Your Obedient Servant,—
Wm Wakeham
Fishery Overseer.

Hamilton, Ont.

Dear Sir, — 21st March 1887. — —

I beg most respectfully to submit to you herewith the application for license for Hunter's Hotel of the Town Division, of which his for to fit in this place, pending on the township of Tiny, and in front of the township of Tiny, on the east side of lot nro: 16, front Tower=sion; during this current year, at the usual fees of $150.- per annum, payable in advance. — —

Last year Mr. Brooks was granted within the limits therein described. — I have increased the rent for this year Brooks only - for which Mr. Young of Port Perry, Henry and Tay - Barrow and Tay - and Mr. Jeffries, of Port Perry, by are additional Hunter not and; nothing the total for the current year $47, Hunter which - although. — —

Which are all deserving men, having considerable property interest in the Province, Mr. Tiny Tiny, and Tay Tay - Besides a stranger of 170 the Township. - also Tower, and many other things, requisite to make the business a success. — The loss and damage to the Hunter which - on the 14th October last, in Tiny Township, was extensive, as reported to you by me at the time. after it happened. — — —

These are reasons I have I have recommended to receive an additional Hunter hotel, on worthy of consi=deration. - I respectfully recommend that you make be pleased to receive and adopt this report. —

The I have the honour to be, —

Your obedient servant,

Deputy Minister,
Department of Revenue.

Hon. Robert Gaunthe,
Minister of Revenue, Ont. —

Hamilton Gunson

Hamilton! Ont. —

23rd March 1887. —

My dear Friend Mr Price! —

I am in receipt of yours of 21st instant, enclosing application to The Hon.ble J. G. Foster, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa; for a license to fish 6, Pound nets in Lake Erie, during this current year; and in answer thereto, I have to report that I have forwarded the same to the Department. —

Now with reference to what you say; may happen regarding the sale of Canadian caught fish in the United States, this is a matter that I know nothing about. — I cannot refer the matter to The Department. — It does not come within my Jurisdiction. — The matter is at present before The Governments of England, United States and Canada! and will I suppose be soon settled. —

Should I receive any Order from the Department on the subject, — I will communicate the same to you. —

With reference to the loss and damage caused by the severe storm of the 14th of October last, to the Pound Nets of the Fishermen in the Elgin Division of Lake Erie! reported on fully by me. I may state that I have received nothing official thereon from the Department. — —

With kind and warm regards, believe me Yours Faithfully. —

Phillips Ker. —

Fishery Overseer.

John Price Esq.re
Pound Net Fishery. —
Port Stanley. —
Ont. — — 2.

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Hamilton! Ont.

23,- March 1887.-

My dear Woolcard!-

Yours of 19th instant received, applying for a license for a term of 9 years, for the fish in Lake Ontario, fronting on the Toronto Township. - - -

In answer thereto I may inform you that the Department has declined to issue 9 years licenses to fish in Lake Ontario. - I will come down next week to see you. - How does your license read?- There is only Charles Pierce, Mrs Charlotte Reid and yourself licensed to fish in front of the Township of Toronto! Why dont you seize other peoples Gill nets,- if they fish there. - -

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You say: "and if any thing should happen to you which I hope will not be the case. - I should have nothing to show, and I think that it is best to have it fixed for good". - - In reply to this:

I am not aware of anything going to happen to me that might militate against you or any other fisherman, I was badly hurted by a fence fall last Christmas day,- when my right knee was badly sprained, but thank God, I am getting better and I expect to live out the present term of Sir John A, and his Ole-imitation. -

I was invited to Ottawa, and I was there on last tuesday. - - And you will soon see something done for me. - - -

With kind regards! Yours truly. -

B. Woolcard Esq.
Pt Credit, Ont

John Wilson.
Fishery Overseer.

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In the High Court of Justice. — —
In Chancery Division. —
In the matter of the Second Farm in the Township of Niagara in the County of Lincoln. — —

Take Notice that Thomas Gordon of the Township of Niagara in the County of Lincoln Gentleman has made an application to the High Court of Justice for Ontario for a certificate of his Title to the above mentioned property under — "The Quieting Titles Act," — and take notice that if you claim any interest therein you must lodge your claim in writing stating the particulars thereof and verified by affidavit at my chambers in Osgoode Hall in the City of Toronto on or before the fourteenth day after the day of service hereof on you and serve a copy on Messrs. Ormour and Gordon at their office in the City of Toronto, as Solicitors for the said Thomas Gordon, and in default thereof any claim, rig or interest you may have therein at Law, or in equity will be for ever barred and extinguished. —

This notice is served upon you because it appears from the evidence adduced before me that you have or pretend to have some right or title to occupy some part of the said farm abutting on Lake Ontario as a Fishing Station.

And because the said Thomas Gordon claims to be entitled to the whole of the property claim by him down to the waters edge free from any right or title of you or any other person to any part of the said land or to any interest therein. — — —

Dated this Ninth day of March A. D. 1887. — —

Signed,

Geo: S. Holmstead. —
Referee of Titles. —

To;
John Boulton. —
of the Township of Niagara.
Fisherman. — —

In the High Court of Justice. —

In Bankruptcy Division. —

In the matter of the above Firm in the Township of Higgins in the County of Lincoln. —

Take notice that Thomas Gordon of the Township of Higgins in the County of Lincoln Gentleman has made an application to the High Court of Justice for Ontario for a confirmation of his title to the above mentioned property under — "The Quieting Titles Act." and take notice that if you claim any interest therein you must lodge your claim in writing setting the particulars thereof and verified by affidavit at my chambers in Osgoode Hall in the City of Toronto on or before the fourteenth day after the day of service hereof on you and have a copy on affidavit of claim and further at their office in the City of Toronto, on behalf of the said Thomas Gordon, and in default thereof any claim, lien or interest you may have therein at claim in equity will be for ever barred and extinguished. —

This notice is issued upon your because it appears from the evidence adduced before me that you have or pretend to have some right or title to occupy some part of the said farm adjoining on Lake Ontario as a fishing station.

And because the said Thomas Gordon claims to be entitled to the whole of the property claim by him above to the water edge free from any right or title of you or any other person to any part of the said land or to any interest therein. — —

Dated this eighth day of March A.D. 1887. — —

Yours &c.

John Bowlby. —
of the Township of Higgins.
Gentleman. — —

Jno: A. Macdonald. —
Referee of Titles. —
Toronto.

Hamilton! Ont, –
25. March 1887. –

Sir, –

I send herewith for your information the copy a legal document served upon John Boulton, of Niagara, fisherman, – by Osmow & Gordon, Barristers, – Toronto, – with reference to that small piece of beach property on Lake Ontario, beside the mouth of the 2 mile creek, in the township of Niagara. – Thomas Gordon, of the law firm of Osmow and Gordon, – is the same person that was a partner in the Law firm of Baine, McDougall, Gordon, and Kay, – Barristers – at Toronto, in 1882. –

He has since purchased the Second farm and now wants to disturb John Boulton. –

I accompanied Boulton, on yesterday to Toronto, who saw Mr Baine, and employed him to look after his interest in this suit. – And no doubt but Mr Baine, will win the case for John Boulton, and finally stop all further litigation. –

The last reports I made to you on the 24th, and on the 25th February 1886, – to which I now respectfully refer you will point out to you every thing in connection with this case. –

I Have the Honor to be,
Sir, –
Your Obedient Servant, –
John Wilkes. –
Fishery Overseer. –

The
Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa. Ont. –

Hamilton, Ont. —

Sir —

26th March 1887. —

I have hereunto for your information the copy of a legal document issued upon John Chambers, of Kingston, Gentleman, by Thomas & Gordon, Barristers, Toronto, with reference to that valuable piece of land property on Lake Ontario, beside the mouth of the 2 mile creek, in the township of Kingston. — Thomas Gordon, of the firm of G. & [illegible] — must Gordon, is the same person that was a partner in the firm of [illegible] & [illegible] Gordon, must be, Barristers, at Toronto, in 1882. —

He has since purchased the above farm and now wants to distribute John Chambers. —

I accompanied Chambers, on yesterday to Toronto, saw the Barrie, and employed him to look after his interest in this land. — But we doubt but the Barrie, will run the case for John Chambers, and finally stop all further litigation. —

The last report I made to you on the 24th and on the 25th February 1887. to which I now respectfully refer you will point out to you every thing in connection with this case. —

I have the honor to be,

Sir —

Your obedient servant,

[illegible] —

Chief Engineer. —

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Railways,
Ottawa. Ont. —

S. P. Bassett Esqr. &c. &c. &c.

Fisheries Department. –

Ottawa, Ont.

For your kindness to me since I got back home from Ottawa – I thank you, About the splendid lot of White fish, you refer to in your last, I arranged with John S. Allen, Port Dover – for to send you these fish. – And I am grateful to him for doing so. – Of course you are aware this is J. S. Allen, – you had employed – getting the spawn in Kalamazoo, with his Round Nets, – in November 1885, – And who wants to be employed again. –

The City of Hamilton Game Club, are out with their lying report, and as usual having nothing else to do! pitched in to the Deputy Minister, and your humble servant, ... They are on their last legs, – and their lies want serve them. –

I send you the Spectator containing Mallock's report; and now the Deputy Minister, can form a better opinion – of this worthy, than ever he done before . . . . He has troubles then, no money to buy spirit, – the members leaving . . . And two Pts. Pts. left, their case has become deplorable. . . .

I go on monday to Pt. Colborne, Ridgeway, – Fort Erie, and Niagara. – I will drop you a line about Jackson's Pound Net license, Pt. Burwell – on to-morrow. – My report about John Rolls, Thos: Gordon – and I will tell you hearing round Niagara! you will learn the last place of Thomas Gordon. – Hamilton! –

Yours respectfully,

[illegible] J.

25 Mar: 1887.

L. G. Stewart Esqre M. M. M.

Victoria Department –

Pretoria, &c.

My dear Minister & my wife & I got back home from Pretoria – I think you, & about the Diplomatic list of little girls. You say it is your last, I manage with girls & little. But Oh – for it cost your time first. But I am grateful to him for doing so. We assume you are aware this is J. G. Pretoria – you that employer getting the opinion in keeping by with his hand wrote – in November 1895 – but only month & he employed again –

The lady of Hamilton House blind, an out with their going report not as some having nothing else to do! Probably in the Deputy Minister, not your trouble

account, . . . They are so blind that hope – not when his count have them. – I cost you the Secretary Instructing Attorney's report: not now the Deputy Minister, an you a letter opinion of this matter then are to have before . . . The Boer troubles the no need to buy spirit. He members having . . But for yet. My left, then are he become explorable . . .

I go – no matter to Mr Bethune, Judgment. That his, not indeed. – I make step you, his what Jonathan Court yet leave. Mr Bloemhof – or to mean . – My report what yet that Mr Otto; Jones – not I make his having present. Hope! you make been the that place of Pretoria Jones . –

Hamilton !– Yours Respectfully,

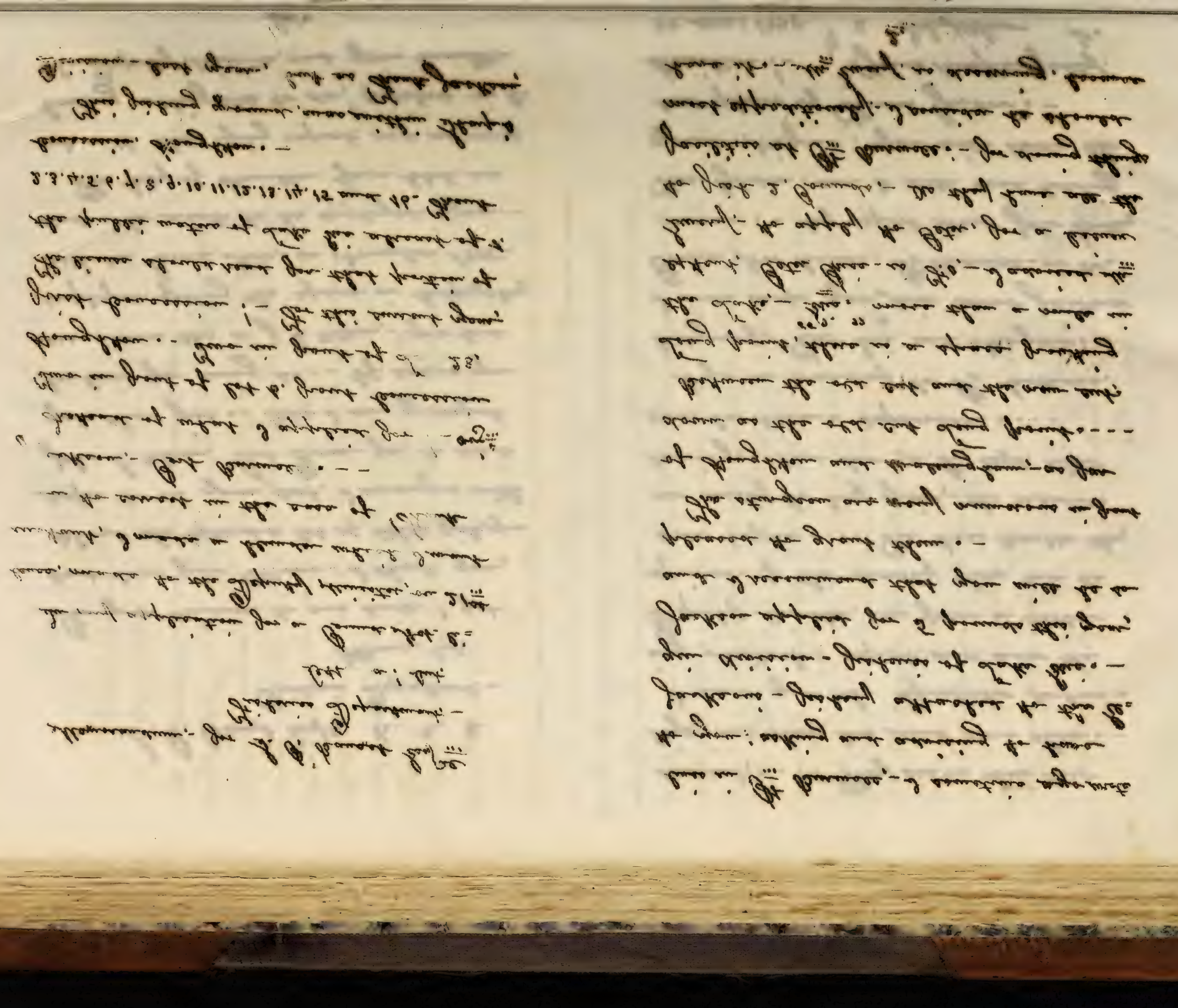
L. G. Stewart 1895. J. Hamilton

Memorandum. - For S. P. Bennett Esqre
Fisheries Department. -
Ott. 21st Oct.

Sir, In application for a Pound Net Li=
cence, made to the Deputy Minister, on 21st
inst, I made a blunder which I want
you to correct in the case of Jackson,
Port Burwell. - -
Instead of what I applied for - viz.
Two in front of lot 6. front Concession
Houghton. - Two in front of 28,
first Concession! - For this current year,
the licence should read for that portion of
the public waters of Lake Erie abreast of 1.
2.3.4.5.6.7.8.9.10.11.12.13.14.15 and 16. Front
Concession, Houghton. -

This fishing ground, was within Sharp's
Division - last year, but as Frank Jackson,
lives in Pt Burwell, - I sometime ago wrote
to you: asking and advising to have
Jackson's - fishery attached to the Ele=
gin division - fisheries of Lake Erie. -
Jackson applied for 5 pounds this year,
and I recommend that you will be so
pleased to grant them. -

The sturgeon are very numerous in front
of Houghton and Walsingham, - as far
down as the old cut Long point. - - -
Between the old cut and the new cut,
Long point, there is a space fronting
the Lake, - "Erie," more than a mile in
extent, Peter Chase - is F.O, - I advised Mr
Emery, - to apply to Peter, for a licence
to fish 2, Pounds, - As they have all the
facilities at Pt Burwell: - for doing things
most expeditiously. - I consider he should
have it. - Mr Emery is deserving, because



he has shown good examples every fall by taking out his Pounds, at commencement of close season – for White fish. – If you know Sharp he will endeavour to have his own disagreeable way. [illegible] Says. – He told me he would apply for a licence for a Tavern Keeper, at [illegible] Creek, Lake Erie, – I told him not to do it, better give another Pound to Charley Bates – and keep out new applicants – in his Division. – Now have you managed Turkey point, Smoke, Sharp, &c.

I did not tele you anything about James Everholt, who has been fishing for the past 7 years with a lease – west of St Williams – Harlem, fronting a farm held for many years by a Mr Hutchinson, who sold out last year to persons named Woodwards! who want the ground for themselves. – The seine hauling ground was cleared by Everholt, at considerable expense! – And the Woodwards want the ground simply because it is in front of their farm – and without paying Everholt anything – for clearing up the fishing ground. – Mr Hutchinson, who sold out his farm to the Woodwards never claimed the beach, fronting on his farm on the Inner Bay, T. point, and never came further than the top of high bank overlooking the inner Bay – T. point. –

I may assure you that previous to the local Election. I received a letter from James Everholt, that he would vote for the conservative candidate Mr Wm Morgan, South Norfolk. – On 24. January last, I was at St Davis, and was in the Dominion Hotel – with D. Sharp, Overseer – when James

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Cornholt, came there to see Sharp and me, about his nothing. - I am satisfied he was for Stager - Conservative candidate for local Government, who was returned by a majority of 102. votes. - And for Col: Clarke, who was returned for Dominion House of Commons - by a majority of 55. Also I sent to T. Paint on the 11th of Feb: last by order of A J Mulvitt, about Lands Fishery, - I saw Cornholt, & Sharp, promised to recommend him for his fishery this year, in preference to the Woodwards. - They are well to do farmers - just recently moved in to the Metalinson farm; - and they claim the fishing ground, because it is fronting their farms -- In this case my opinion is - it should not be taken away from Cornholt, and if

so, Cornholt should be paid for clearing the grounds - by the Woodwards. - I would like to know if D. Sharp, - has proved false to Cornholt, for in my presence Sharp promised he would apply this year for the same hauling ground as follows to, and would recommend that Cornholt should get the license for to fish there. - I am sure I would have no objection to so. - -

Cornholt wrote me a few days ago, since I came home from Ottawa, and as a deserving man, I give you the above History of his case. -

With my warm regards - and respects. - Yours Sincerely. -

Hamilton. Ont. J. Hilton

26. March 1887. - J.H.

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Wm. Emery Esq.
Merchant
Pt. Burwell
Ont.

Hamilton! Ont.
31. March 1887. —

My dear Mr. Emery;

Your [illegible] favour of [illegible] just [illegible] on my return [illegible] Pt. Colborne, — [illegible] Erie and [illegible] coming; and for which [illegible] you!.

[illegible] the applications for the [illegible] licence for Eagle on 21st [illegible] — I have since written to Mr. Bauset — Before I proceed [illegible] with [illegible] may say for your information that I recommended that Mr. W. Emery and Boy — do receive a licence for to fish 5. Pounds, on their old grounds in Lake Erie, fronting on the Township of Bayham. — Here follows what

I.

I wrote Mr. Bauset, Thus: — Copy. —
"The sturgeon are very numerous in front of Houghton and Walsingham, as far down as the old cut, Long point."
"Between the old cut and the new cut, Long point, there is a space fronting the Lake "Erie" more than a mile in extent, Peter Price is F.O. — I advised Mr. Emery, to apply to Peter, for a licence to fish 2 pounds there, as they (Emery,) have all the facilities at Pt. Burwell, for doing things most expeditiously, I consider he should have it. — Mr. Emery is deserving, V. V. V."
To which Mr. Bauset replied: — "He has my best wishes, and shall have my best assistance". — You will now see how matters are.

And as regards the Beach licence

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Swan will have to manage that himself, with Sharp, who has been written to, by the Department, to send in his application for P. & Net licenses in Norfolk, &c. - Let Swan get out the licence in Isaac Backus's name this year!! - Nothing like a Monopoly must appear about these applications! — Sharp gets sulky occasionally, when he will do nothing for Swans or Geese! — Harry must be careful and on his guard and best behaviour! - For you know the old adage! - The ducks and the geese they do fly no — Sharp is getting himself in trouble with N. point fishermen, N. point Game keep, — and the Department. - - You know that a man cannot serve two masters, it is better for Sharp to stick to one and

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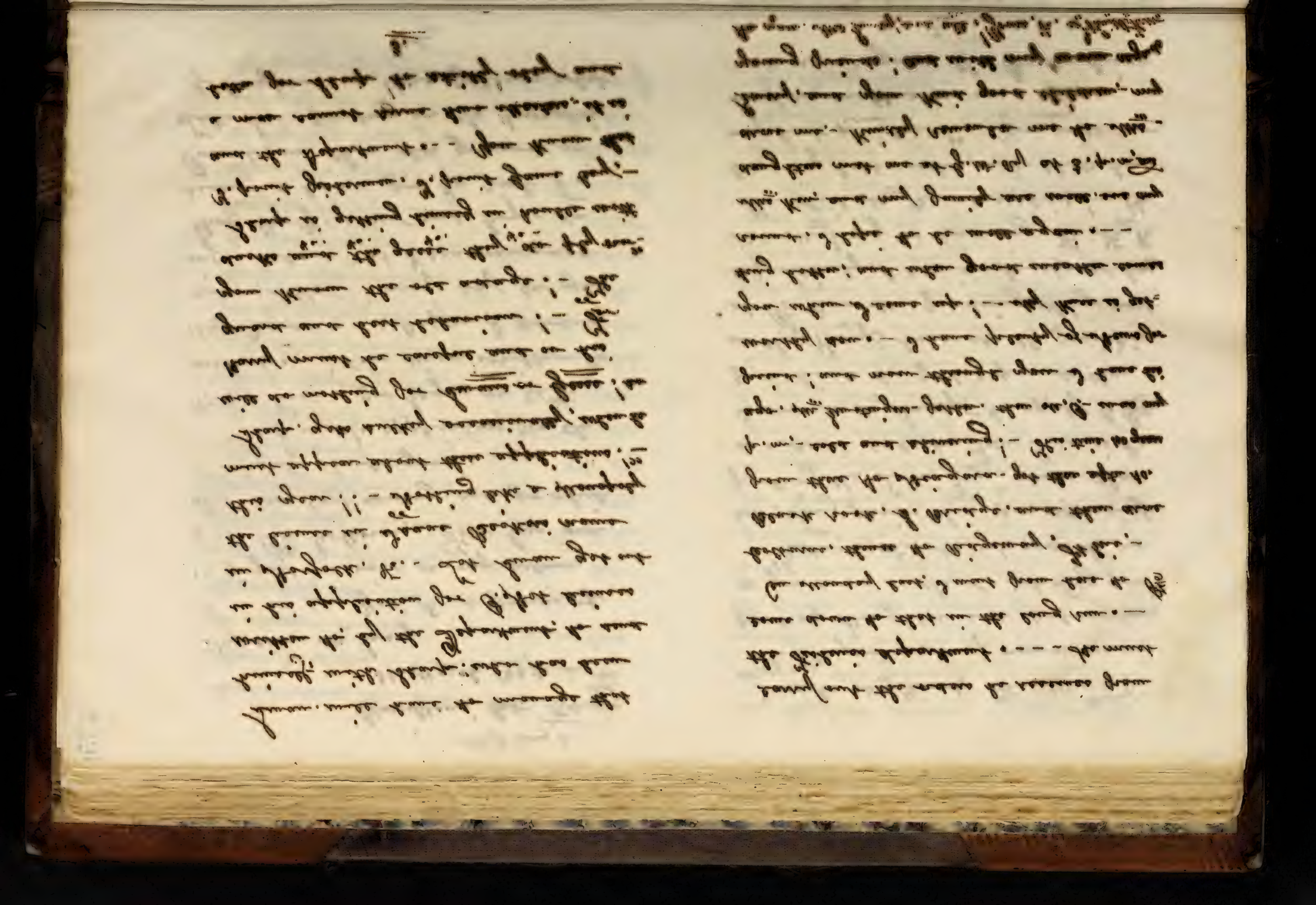
carry out the orders he receives from the Fisheries department. - - - He must come down to that in the long run. —

On Monday last, I went from here to Colburne, thence to Ridgeway, Ft Erie, — Black rock, S. Bridge, and then came from there to Niagara - got there after 10, p.m, - cold and shivering! - This time 40 years ago, Mr Kerrigan - father, then M.P. - was my friend! and now though you I have his worthy son. - I have plenty of News for you when I come up! - My Knee is getting better; and when good weather comes round, I hope to be well again. - -

Mrs Kew, and my family are well, one my daughters met me at G.W. Ry at 3. p.m, and drove me. - Kindly remember me to Mrs Emery, and your kind good children, my young friends! And with my warm regards to you, Mrs Emery, & all! Yours, R. J. Kew



Captain, Thomas Thompson, —
Port Bruce. —
Ont.

Mailed on 1st April 1887. —

Mailed on 1st April 87. —

Daniel Patterson Esqre
P. Net Fisherman —
New Glascow. Aldborough P.O.
Ont.

Daniel Lang Esqre
P. Net Proprietor. —
Eagle P.O.
Ont.

Mailed on 1st April 1887. —

Messrs Emery, Swan,
and Backhouse,
P. Net, Proprietors. —
Pt. Burwell, Ont.

Mailed on 1st April 1887. —

Sylvanus Young Esqre Vcoy. —
Pd. Net Proprietors. —
Port Bruce, Ont.

Mailed on 1st April 1887. —

Joseph Page Vcoy. —
Pd. Net Fisherman. —
Tyrconnell, — P. Office.
Ont.

Mailed on 1st April 1887. —

Hopkins, Thomas Thompson. —
Cut Throat. —
Cut.

Allowed on 1st
April 1887. —

Allowed on 1st
April 1887. —

Thomas Cattroson Sergt.
Cut Throat Christenson —
Non Appearance. Adjourned C.C.
Cut.

Allowed on 1st
April 1887. —

Alphonso Young Sergt. Maj.
Cut Throat Proprietors. —
Cut Throat. Cut.

Allowed on 1st
April 1887. —

Half to Henry Brown
Non Contributors. —
Cut Throat Proprietors. —
Cut Throat. Cut.

Allowed on 1st
April 1887. —

Thomas Young Sergt.
Cut Throat Proprietor. —
Sergle C.C.
Cut.

Allowed on 1st
April 1887. —

Joseph Gage Corp.
Cut Throat Christenson —
Cut. Cut. Cut.

Allowed on 1st
April 1887. —

Captain, John Allison Jun.
Qd. Net Proprietor. —
Port Stanley, Cont.

Mailed on 1st April 1887.

John Price Esq. 2d
Qd. Net Proprietor.
Port Stanley, — C.

Mailed on 1st April 1887. —

Francis Jackson, —
Qd. Net Proprietor,
Qt. Burwell, Cont.

Mailed on 1st April 1887. —

Mess.rs Geo. A. Brown, —
and Wm. Lindsay, —
Qd. Net Proprietors, —
Port Burwell, Cont.

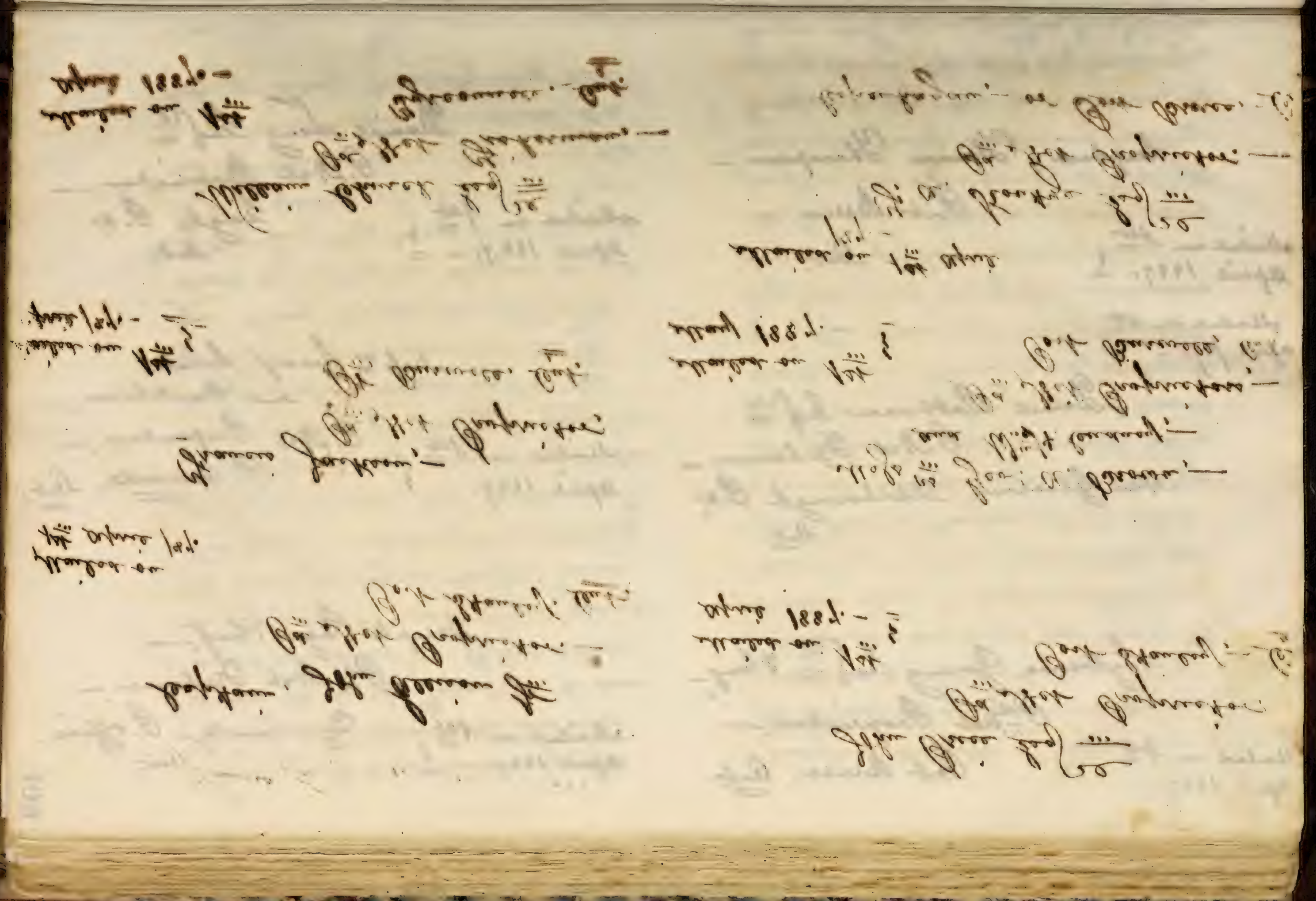
Mailed on 1st May 1887.

William Church Esq. 2d
Qd. Net Fisherman. —
Tyrconnell. Cont.

Mailed on 1st April 1887. —

Mailed on 1st April 1887 —

G. A. Koutze Esq. 2d
Qd. Net Proprietor. —
Copenhagen, — or Port Bruce. — C.



Hamilton:- Ont.
1st Apriâ 1837. -

My dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your of 29. ultimo; complaining of break between D. Sharp, and the Turkey point fishermen. - I have submitted a copy of the same to the Department at Ottawa; and asked for instructions. - I expect to be in Simcoe, some day during next week, and will feel pleasure in calling to see you. - I am,

Your respectfully -
John Gilkison.

H. H. Groff Esq.
Secretary -
Turkey Point Co. -
Simcoe. Ont. -

Hamilton. Ont.
3. Apriâ 1837. -

My dear Sir,

Yours of 28th ultimo received. - There is Thomas Martin, a boiler maker, living near my place on the Mountain here in Barton. he has a son Thomas, - but he is learning a trade in Hamilton. -

Also I dont know any other person of the name of Thomas Martin living in Barton but Mountain road nor any other place on the Mountain; perhaps the young man goes by some other name. - Mountain. I am at your service. - I know your family. -

A. Gillespie Esq. Yours truly. -
Cayuga. Ont. - D. Gilkison. Jr.

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Copy.—

Turkey Point Company.—
Incorporated by Act of Parliament.—
S. D. Woodruff.— President. St. St. Groff.— Sec: Treas.—

Office of Secretary.—
Simcoe, Ont. 29th March 1887.—

John W. Kerr Esq.
Fishery Overseer.—
Hamilton.—

Dear Sir,—

Local Inspector D. Sharp, has directed fishermen to go on our property in front of Lots 4. and 5. Charlotteville, where the Department declined to grant leases in 1886.. The draw being in private water.—

I beg to protest against this action, not that I dispute the right of the Department to do so, (which they have not done) but that situated as we are the fishermen should know that we must be satisfied with their conduct, and as owners of the property we should have some say.— The action of Inspector Sharp, places the fishermen in antagonism to us, making them insolent and annoying.— there they amenable to us for the privileges they enjoy we might control them, but as it is, it is more undesirable than ever.— Please advise me if they are allowed to erect houses on our border and leave them there all the year to the detriment of our preserve.—

Yours respectfully,—
Signed, St. St. Groff.—
Secretary.—

Sturtevant House Department.
Superintendent's Bureau of Enforcement.
J. D. McCarthy, Chief of Bureau.
President, Geo. W. Wilson, Secretary.
John M. Mann, Supervisor
Fire Inspector
Hamilton.

Chief Engineer Fire Dept.

Sir:

Chief Engineer Fire Dept.

The District Patrolmen to go on our property in front of lots 4 and 5, Schulenburg, before the Department destroyed the grass fences in 1886. The crews having in pursuit water. - - -

I beg to protest against this action, not that I dispute the right of the Department to do so, (which they have not done) but that situated as we are the patrolmen should know that we must be satisfied with their conduct, and as owners of the property our choice have duty. - - The action of chief engineer today, place the patrolmen in antagonism to us, making them unpleasant and annoying. -

Have they assumed to do so for the privileges they enjoy we might control them, but as it is, it is more unpleasantness than ever. - Please advise me if they allowed to erect fences on our border or have them take all the grass to the detriment of our premises. -

Yours respectfully,
Geo. W. Wilson.
Secretary.

Hamilton, Ont,
1st April 1887.-

Sir,

I submit for your information, the copy of a letter just received from Mr. H. H. Groff, Secretary, of the Turkey Point Company - Lake Erie, and copy of my reply thereto :--

Because it has come to my knowledge, that Charles Ferris, and other fishermen, living on the Outer Bay, - Turkey point, applied recently, for a license to you, through Overseer D. Sharp, to fish opposite Lots 5. 6. 7. &c, Inner Bay, during this current year, and have been refused. ---

I consider it my duty now to lay the matter before you. ---

With due respect, -

I Have the Honor to be,
Sir, -
Your Obedient Servant. -
Phil. W. Ker. -
Fishery Overseer. -

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa: Ont. -

Hamilton, Sept.

1st Sept. 1887.

Sir,

I submit for your information, the copy of a letter just received from Mr. H. Groff, Secretary of the Stirling Unit Bonspiel Club &c, and copy of my reply thereto.

Because it has come to my knowledge, that Thorlea Town, and other Parishes, living on the Outer Ring, Stirling Point, applied recently, for a license to you, through Messrs G. Harper, Portpatrick Club &c. I, thus doing, sinning this current year, must have been refused.

I mention it only now to lay the matter before you.

With due respect,

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

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Stirling Lessee.

The Superintendent,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa: Ont.

Memorandum for S. P. Bennett Esqre
Fisheries Department.—
Ottawa!—Ont.

The Notorious Game Club, held their annual meeting! they never mentioned me by name in their proceedings!—Some one checked them

I sent the Deputy Minister, copy of a letter I received from Mr. H. H. Groff, Secretary of the Turkey Point Company.—Now according to your Memo! Ferris and others have since applied for licences opposite 5, 6 & 7,— and have been refused.—

Whilst Groff's letter, copy sent to the Deputy, this day!—states Sharp, has directed fishermen to go on the Turkey point property, in front of lots 4 & 5,— so you may now perceive he is not able to understand the matters you give

Memorandum.—

Mr Bennett Sir.—

I am in receipt of Genl. Cameron's letter, complaining of some Sharp, and the Turkey point fishermen.—I have submitted a copy of the same to the Department, and asked for instructions.—I report that Offence, and asking most earnestly, that some steps be taken to prevent in future, such conduct, as you.—

Hamilton, Ont.
Mr. H. H. Groff Esqre
Secretary,—&c.
Turkey Point Company,—
Simcoe, Ont.—

Copy.—

Hamilton, Ont.
Mr. April 1887.—
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to prevent in future, such conduct as you.—
I am,
Yours respectfully.—
H. Gillmor.—
Deputy Comr.

Memorandum for J. O. Hanner Esqre
Finance Department —

Sir:

The Petitioners have filed their three
meetings! they were mentioned in my memo
in their proceedings. — Are we should the
Govt the Deputy Minister, copy of a letter
received from Mr. H. Hoff, Secretary of
the Quitting Coal Company. — Pray search
for it from them! Were we notice from
him applied for licence appointed 5.1.47.
see time from refused. —

Under Sheriff letter, copy sent to the
Deputy. the chief! — Attorn Genl. has in=
structed Petitioner to go on the Quitting
point & stop. in point of fact 4.1.47=
to go now from Pensions to is not
able to understand the motive you give

March 7. - - -

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Mar: 28.	William Scott, of Dunlin, County of Wentworth. - - -	For a Pound licence to fish in Lake Erie, fronting on Niggar point.	50. 00.	I enclose draft No: 460.- for $60.00, in a report dated Hamilton, Ont. 1st April 1887. for The Deputy Minister of Fisheries.- Ottawa
Mar: 14.	Charles Ruse, of Humber Bay, - Ontario. - - -	For a Seine License. - - -	10. 00.	This is included in draft 460.- making $60.- in full. - -
		Total. -	$60. 00.	

Please refer to my report which accompanies this return, dated 1st April 1887. -

To,
The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries. -
Ottawa, Ont. - - -

John W. Kerr. -
Hamilton, Ont. - -

Hamilton 7. - - -

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		£.	s.	d.
June: 28.	Balance due of Hamilton Township for Work done & Buildings erected in Hamilton. - - -			
	Paid on account of Higgs Point	30.	00.	
	Balance due	40:	4.60.	for 4 60.00
				in a report dated Hamilton, Oct. 1st
June: 14.	Balance owing of Hamilton Township - Work done & buildings erected in Hamilton. - - -	10.	00.	This is included in Estimate - - -
				Total - 4. 60. 00 / 4 60. in June. - -

Please refer to my report dated accompanies this return, dated 1st July 1887. -

For the Deputy Minister of Fisheries. Ottawa, Oct. - - -

Mathew Hay -

Hamilton, Ont. —

Hamilton: Ont. –
1st April 1887. – –

Sir;

I have the honor to send you Bank dept No: 460, for the sum of Sixty dollars. –

1. – I recommend that you will be pleased to apply $40.- for a Seine license - already granted to Charles Howe, Hamlin Bay, - Lake Ontario, see printed return. – –

2. – I beg to apply to you for a Pound Net, license for William Scott, of Bertie. – For to fish one pound net, single pot or head - in Lake Erie, fronting on Frigger point, which is in Point Abino Bay, Township of Bertie, during this current year, at the usual rate of $50.- sent herewith." – Please refer to the printed form, for the month of March, And I recommend that you will be pleased to grant the same. – –

Respectfully submitted. – –

I have the Honor to be,
Sir, –
Your Obedient Servant, –
W. Wilkins –
Fishery Overseer,

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont. –

Dublin: Sept.

Sir,

1st Sept 1857. ---

I have the honor to send you Count Mayo's £50. for the sum of eighty dollars. --

1. I recommend that you write to Pleasance to apply £10. for a lease licence already granted to Charles Thomas Kay. Castle Bishop, for printers tenure. --

2. I beg to apply to you for a licence that licence for Wilkinson Sheath of Dublin. -- to pick the pressure not single fact or have in Castle Ave. printing on eighty point raised in Saint Albans Chapel. Dublin = eighty of Dublin, showing this amount upon, at the usual rate of £5. last licensed. -- Please re= fer to the printer form, for the month of March. Also I recommend that you write to Pleasance to grant the licence. --

Respectfully submitted. --

I have the honor to be,

Sir --

Your obedient servant --

Thomas Lefroy

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Education,
Toronto. Sept. --

him orders about, yet. - - -

Sharp is now to all appearance above principalities and powers. - - -

I sent Groff's letter direct to the deputy, and you will read its entire contents. - I am satisfied now that Sharp has been encouraging a collision between T. point fishermen, - and T. point Company. - - -

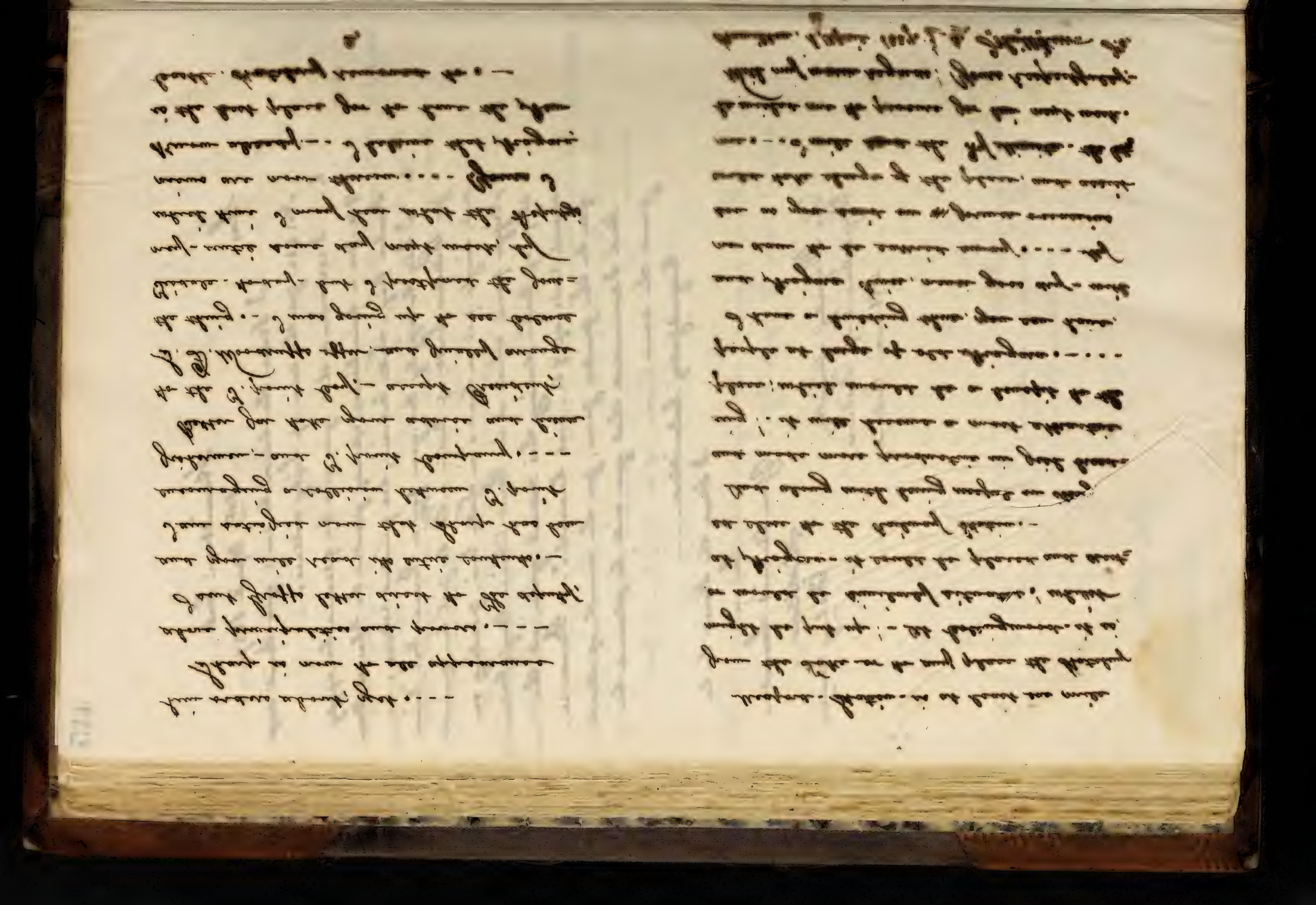
Better for take your advice and listen to the T. point boy, - accept President, L. D. Woodruff's offer, and finally arrange the thing. - I was going up to see Colonel Tisdale - today - but I postponed the journey - until some day next week, by which time I may hear what the Deputy's views are now thereon. - - - Yours I know already. - - I believe that Niagara is the best place for to have the flax-teasle, Hatchery removed to. -

Macford - Station - is at least one mile from the Lake - or the only place the Hatchery might be put up: - At Bellingwood - it is, or would be similarly situated; whilst at Niagara - it could be placed and located close to the Railway Station. -

And along with being useful in itself, and made more productive in fish breeding! - it will become a most attractive place; which would be a benefit to the people at large of old Niagara. - - - -

I have a building there, you can have, and Niagara time, never goes dry - will no doubt be settled early. - - - My son as you said on a former occasion will take charge of the place, and assist me. - - I will leave the Deputy Minister - the letter written to present for his next week.

With my warm regards! Yours respectfully, Hamilton, 1 April 1869. J. A. Wilkinson Esq.



Memo: for S. O. Ramsay Esqre.
Fisheries Department.—
Ottawa!— Ont.—

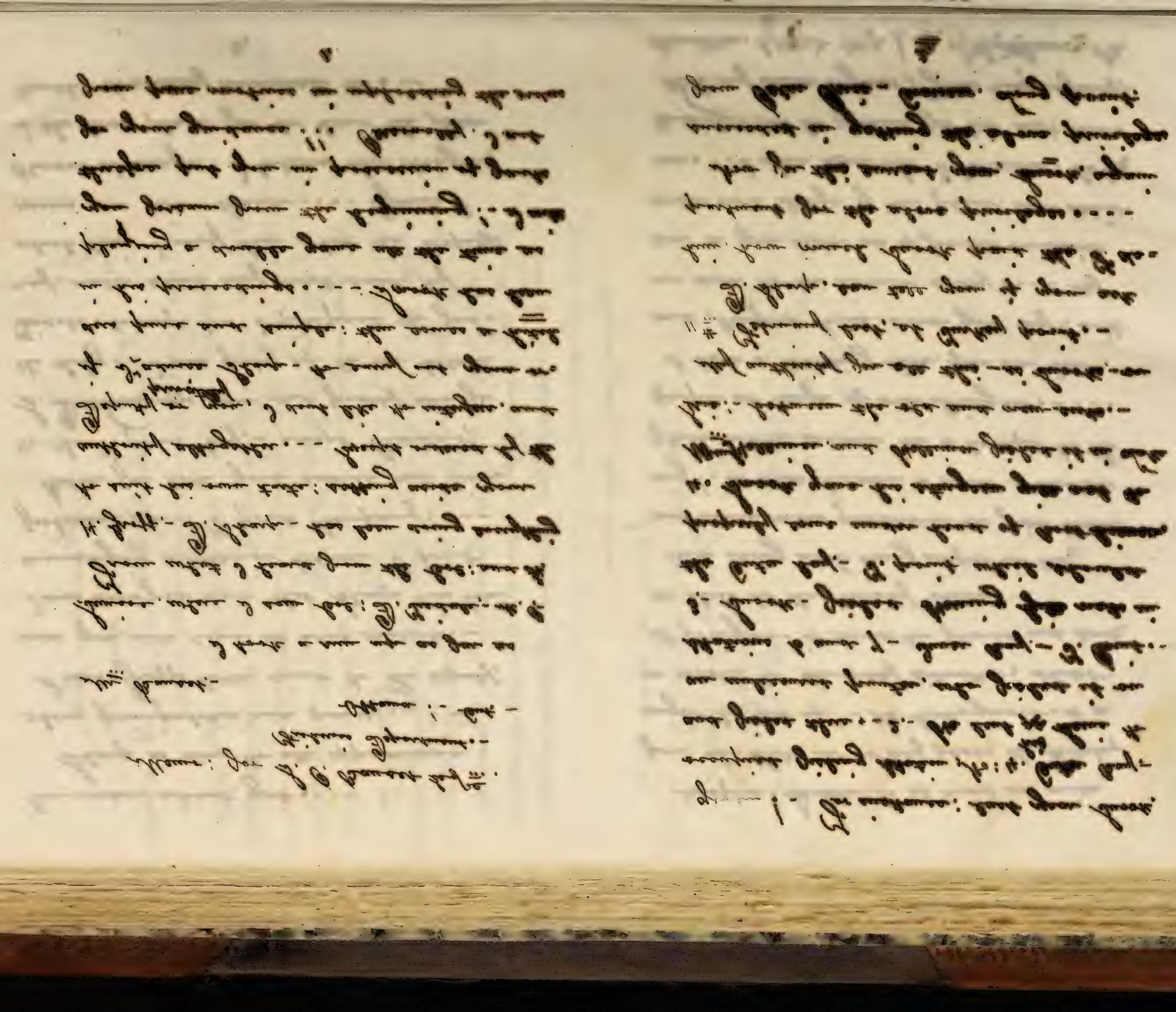
Mr. Ramsay,—

I took a run up as far as Simcoe, where I saw Col; D. Tisdale,— M. P. From what I learn from the Col: and M. H. Groff,— D. Sharp— has been doing everything to suit his own taste: setting aside your authority altogether.— Except ordered by the Deputy or you, I dont like to interfere, and if D^r^ advises Sharp— to carry out your orders pure and simple: then comes a hitch in his proceedings.— Snook has been playing a double game all the time as you learn from the beginning!— I will therefore put you in possession of facts for your guidance!!. Personally, I act from pure motives in upholding the rules

of — 1.— For instance: last year Snook occupied fishing station, No: 4. Outer Bay,— and fished there,— 2.— He lent his Seine to an unlicensed fisher, who fished it on stations 6 and 7— Inner Bay.— 3. Snook— fished herring fish nets in the Outer bay.— 4. point which should properly come under head of lost licence. 4. Snook gave his stagger gill net to Mr. Hellmer, and Hellmer fished it in Lake Erie:— between the old and new nets.— 5th authority you set this— is Snook,— on 11th February last, at Turkey point.—

D. Sharp, can tell you if you ask him, how much Snook paid the F. department for the above privileges.—

Now you this current year, Snook, again succeeded in getting the above privileges from Peter Ouis— Erieau. Long point.



and Overseer D. Sharp, - Port Burwell, - in defiance of orders to Sharp, - from your department. - Any authority for this is bosh; Tisdale, and Mr. H. H. Groff, whom I saw and conversed with on yesterday on this subject at Simcoe. - - - I send you also a letter I received from Mr. H. H. Groff, as to how Overseer Sharp and fishermen, Snook, Fouis and Bay, - are at present carrying on fishing, in despite of your granting on lots 5. 6. and 7, Dover Bay, P. Point. Take this. - Now you have all I know! - Except that I believe an application will shortly be made to the Department, to get the control of the Fisheries, by P. - point Company, which if granted; will stop immediately, a Petition, aimed at against this Company. - - -

In the township of Walsingham, will a

a majority of about 30 Conservative votes but: Tisdale, had only one vote majority, - all owing to the getting up the Long point Bay, - where Solister, the Bosh: is!! while in Charlotteville the majority was good. -

From what Bosh: Tisdale, told me: - Snooks managed to get a promise from Otter Creek, and D. Sharp, - before he voted, and even then; it was doubtful how Snooks, did vote! for he was for sale to both parties. - - - -

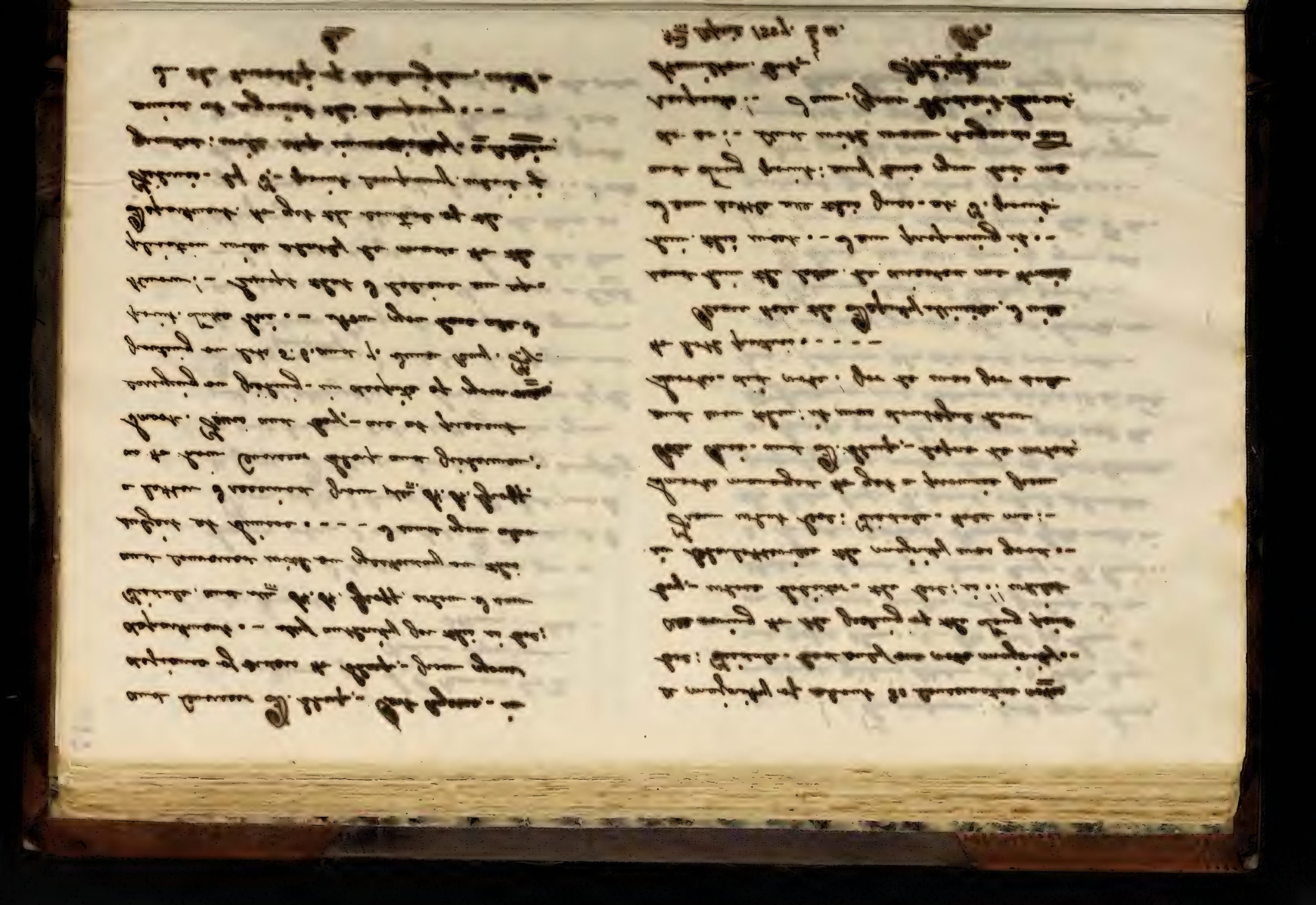
Please tell the Deputy Minister, I will send him the letter, he directed me to write him, this week. - I am preparing it. - I can settle all this Jues, at P. point, and Long point: and this you bid me do so! - Glad with warm regards and respects!. I am, Your Obedient Servant,

Hamilton, Ont.,

9th April 1887. &c.

J. Whitehead

P.S.



Hamilton, Ont. –
3. April 1887. –

My dear Lang. –

Your kind letter was duly received. – I made application for the Port licences last month, and I expect to receive them soon. – And there is nothing to prevent any person from getting his license this year; for I recommended you, one and all to receive licenses as applied for. –

Now with reference to your loss and damage by that great storm of the 14th of October last. – I laid everything before The Honble The Minister of Marine and Fisheries. –

I recommended that each receive something in some shape or another; to compensate you for the great loss,

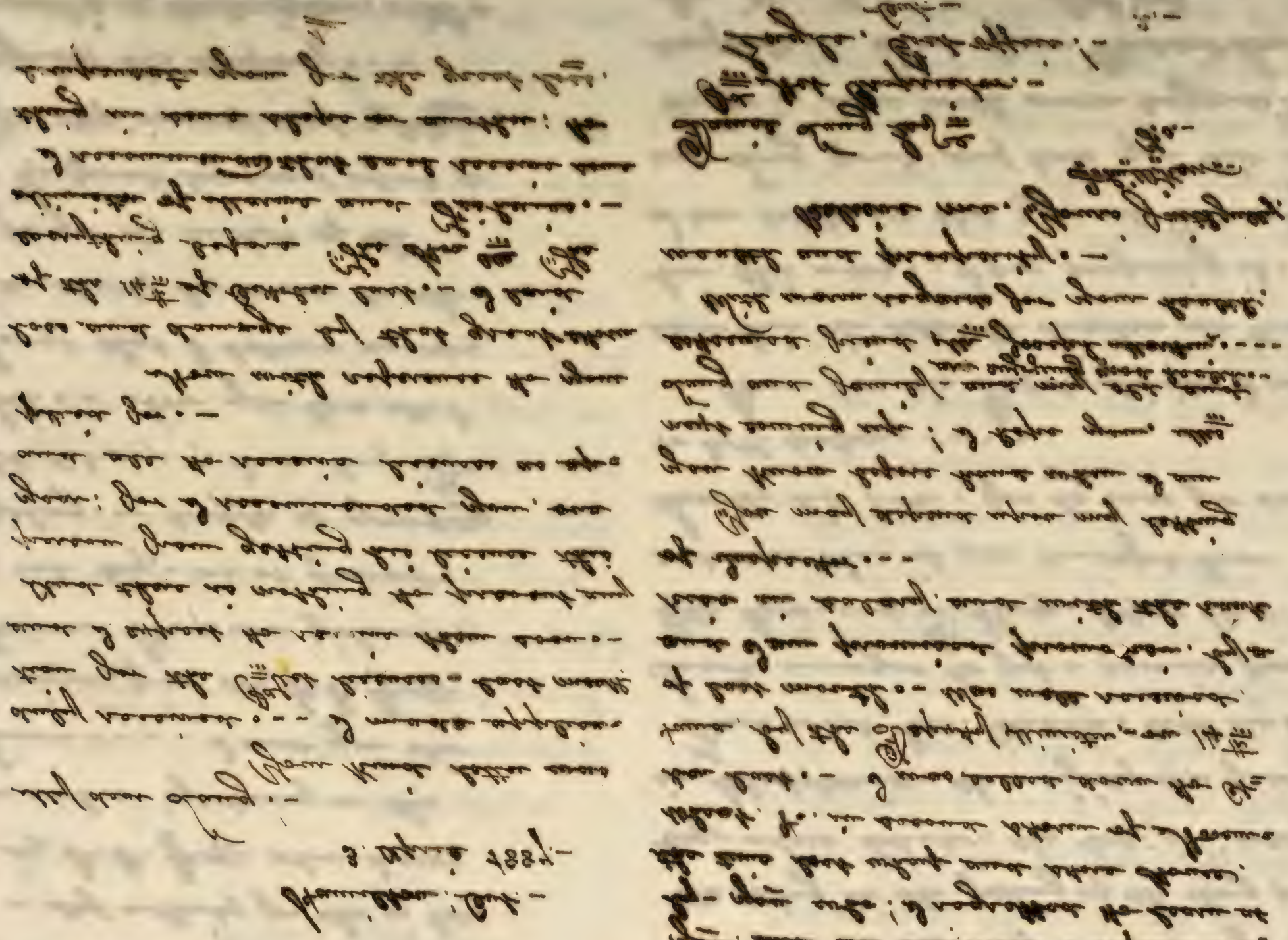
you, and all sustained! – particularly – you who! I regretted to learn at the time lost wharf and store house, wheat, &c. in second storm of November last. – I was called down to Ottawa, by the Deputy Minister, on 14th of last month. – Was well received, and I am promised promotion, by a rise in salary, and with the rank of Inspector. . .

You may depend upon my letting you know before hand when I am next coming up! I hope you, Mrs Lang and family – and my old and esteemed friend Mr Joseph Morton, . . . are enjoying good health. . .

With warm regards for your health, wealth and prosperity. –

Believe me. Yours faithfully,
John Wilson.

Daniel Lang Esqre
P.M.
Port Colborne. –
Lingle. Post office! –
Ont. –



Hamilton, Ont.

Sir, — 5. April 1882. —

I am obliged to you for your kind note given me in your office at Ottawa, on the 15th ult., to write you about more salary, and for to be ~~appointed~~ to be appointed to the position of Inspector of Fisheries, for Ontario. — —

I beg most respectfully to do so now! — and I enclose to you, for yourself, and for The Hon.ble The Minister, &c. Few Testimonials, from Senators, Members of Parliament, &c. warm friends and supporters of The Right Hon.ble Sir John A. Macdonald; and His Ministry in my behalf. —

Having completed 22 years and 3 months in the service, I hope I may be now considered by you as deserving of the position asked for me by their testimonials enclosed. —

If honoured by you and the Hon.ble The Minister with this appointment, I will endeavour to do my duty faithfully. — —

Mr. S. P. Bassett, of your Department, knows me ever since I was first appointed, up to the present time. —

P.S. I can get many more Testimonials if required! Yours &c.

The Deputy Minister, I have the Honor to be, Sir. —
Department of Fisheries, Your Obedient Servant, —
Ottawa! Ont. John Walker, — P. O. —

Copy of Memorial of Mr. Hamilton

Sir, —

I am obliged to you for your letter received yesterday, and I have written to your office at Ottawa, on the 15th ult., to write you about more salary, and for it to be appointed to be equivalent to the position of Inspector of Fisheries, for Ontario. — —

I beg most respectfully to do so now: — and I believe to you, for yourself, and for the Hon. the Minister, &c. the testimonials, from Senators, Members of Parliament, &c. mean friends and supporters of the Right Honr. Sir John A. Macdonald; and the Minister in my behalf. —

Having completed 22 years and 3 months in the service, I hope I may be considered by you as deserving of the position sought for me by their testimonials enclosed. —

If honoured by you and the Hon. the Minister with this appointment, I will endeavour to do my duty faithfully. — —

Mr. A. O. Bennet, of your Department, knows me since since I was first appointed, up to the present time. —

The Deputy Minister. I know the Hon. to be Sir, —

Department of Fisheries. Your obedient servant,

Ottawa, 1 Sept. Robert Hamilton. — Esq. —

Copy.—

St. Thomas, March 24th 1887.—

Nos: 1 & 2.— John Tilton Esqre

Deputy Minister of Fisheries,— Ottawa!—

We the undersigned beg to recommend the appointment of John W. Kerr, of the City of Hamilton, as Inspector of Fisheries for the Province of Ontario.—

We believe him to be thoroughly capable and painstaking Officer and competent to discharge the duties of the position.—

Signed.— C. O. Ermatinger.—

" — Thos: Arkell, ex. M. P.—

Copy.—

No: 3. Private.— St Catharines,

My dear Tilton. March 22d 1887.—

I would like very much to see my friend J. W. Kerr — Inspector — have his salary increased if possible.— He is an excellent officer, and I am personally aware of the fact that he takes a very great deal of pains in discharging his duty.— I know of no Officer who does his duty better.— Do what you can for him.—

Faithfully Yours,—

(Signed.) J. C. Rykert.—

Copy.—

No: 4. Honorable G. E. Foster,— Hamilton, 25. March 1887.—

Minister of Marine and Fisheries.—

Ottawa!—

I take the liberty of strongly recommending Mr J. W. Kerr, Fishery Overseer, for the position of Inspector.—

He is one of the most indefatigable officers, I ever saw, and I am sure you would find him of great service to the Department.—

Yours truly,—

(Signed) Adam Brown.—

Copy/-

No: 1.

Ottawa, March 24th 1879.-

No: 172.- John Hilton Esq.
Deputy Minister of Customs.- Ottawa.-

We the undersigned beg to recommend the appointment of John M. Kerr of the City of Hamilton as Surveyor of Customs for the Province of Ontario.-

We believe him to be thoroughly capable and possessing officer and competent to discharge the duties of the position.-

Yours.- C. C. Sweetnam.-
" " " Chas: Mitchell. M.P. M.C.-

Copy/-

No: 3. Quebec.- 4th September.

My dear Hilton.- March 22nd 1879.--

Another life may round to the very friend J. M. Kerr - surveyor - have the salary increased if possible.- He is an excellent officer, and I am personally aware of the fact that he takes a very great deal of pains in discharging his duty.- I know of no officer who does his duty better.- Do what you can for him.---

Faithfully Yours.-
(Signed) J. C. Taylor.-

Copy/-

No: 4. Honorable J. C. Aikins.- Hamilton, 27. March 1879.-
Minister of Marine and Fisheries.-

Ottawa.-

I take the liberty of strongly recommending Mr J. M. Kerr, Sitting Surveyor, for the position of surveyor.-

He is one of the most intelligent officers I have seen, and I am sure you would find him of great service to the Department.--

Yours truly.-
(Signed) Adam Crooks.-

Copy.-

Stoney Creek.-

No: 5. My dear Sir.- March 26th 1887.-

It affords me very great pleasure to be allowed the privilege of testifying to the efficiency of Mr John W. Kerr our much respected Inspector of Fisheries for this section of the Dominion.

I have been well acquainted with Mr Kerr during the last fifteen years and have always found him a most painstaking and straight forward public servant, at all times faithful in the discharge of his duties.-- While carefully watching the interests of the Government, at the same time he has always shown every consideration to those with whom in his official capacity he has come in contact.-- And I consider that his faithful services have entitled him to further remuneration at the hands of your Department.-

John Tilton Esqre
Deputy Minister of
Fisheries,- Ottawa.-

Yours faithfully.-
Signed:- F. M. Carpenter.
South Wentworth.-

Copy.-

No: 6. My dear Foster.- Niagara. Mar: 29. 1887.-

I take great pleasure in recommending to your favorable consideration for the office of Fishery Inspector, Mr J. W. Kerr, who has filled the position of Overseer for nearly twenty three years, to the entire satisfaction, I believe of the Department, and who well deserves promotion.-

Niagara being an important point under Mr Kerr's supervision, I have constantly had opportunity of meeting him here in the discharge of his duties, and my opinion of him is based upon a long personal acquaintance; I trust that I may ~~properly~~ mention that he is a most active careful ~~and influential~~ supporter of our party, and has done ~~good~~ Government service in many a hard fight in Wentworth, and its neighbourhood.

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No: 5. Mly dear Sir: — Albany March 26th 1857.—

It appears me very great pleasure to be allowed the privilege of testifying to the efficiency of my John Allen, who served respected during the period of Stationing for this section of the Commission.

I have been well acquainted with Mr Allen during the last fifteen years and have always found him a most faithful, zealous and strictly honest person, at all times faithful in the discharge of his duties. — While carefully protecting the interests of the Government, at the same time he always shows every consideration to those with whom in his official capacity he has come in contact. — Nor I consider that his faithful services have entitled him to further remuneration at the hands of your Department. —

John Dixon Esq
Deputy Minister of Stationery. — Ottawa. — Yours faithfully. — Jas. Lorquetor. — Sheriff Hartwell. —

No: 6. Mly dear Sir. — Kingston. March: 29. 1857.—

I take great pleasure in recommending to your favorable consideration for the office of Stationery Inspector Mr J. Allen, who has given the position of Clerk for nearly twenty three years, to the entire satisfaction, I believe of the Department, and who is well deserving promotion. —

Allen being an important point under Mr Hall's division, I have constantly had opportunity of meeting him here in the discharge of his duties, and my opinion of him is based upon a long personal acquaintance:

I think that I may [illegible] mention that he is a most active energetic and industrious supporter of our party, and has done yeoman service in many a hard fight in Hastings, and its neighbourhood.

Z.

I shall feel greatly gratified by learning that he has been advanced to a position which he deserves and is thoroughly qualified to fill. —

Yours very truly. —
(Signed) J. B. Plumb. —

Copy. —

Niagara Falls. —

No: 7. My dear Foster, 30th March 1887. —

I take great pleasure in recommending to your highest and most favourable consideration my friend Mr. J. W. Kerr, of Hamilton, for the position of Inspector of Fisheries. — Mr. Kerr's past services to your Department will be well known to you, it has been to my knowledge, in the highest degree satisfactory. —

Mr. Kerr, is a gentleman of the highest character and in the exercise of his duties as a public officer above and beyond suspicion. — I make these statements from a personal knowledge and acquaintance extending over fifteen years. —

I will be highly pleased and gratified to learn of his promotion to the position of Inspector. —

I am, My dear Foster,
Faithfully Yours, —
(Signed) John Ferguson. —

No: 8. Hon: —
Geo: E. Foster,
Minister of Marine & Fisheries,
Ottawa. —

Copy. — Hamilton, March 31st/87. —

My dear Mr. Foster. —

I have very much pleasure in in recommending Mr. J. W. Kerr, for the position of Inspector. I have been personally acquainted with Mr. Kerr, for a term of years and know him to be thoroughly energetic and efficient. — I am, Yours faithfully,
Signed, — W. E. Sanford. —

Hon: Geo: E. Foster,
Minister of Marine & Fisheries. —
Ottawa. —

Mr: Pitt's Secretary, Downing Street, 30th March 1797.—

I have great pleasure in recommending to your highest and most favourable consideration my friend Mr. J. M. Kerr, of Trowbridge, for the position of Superintendent of Chichester.— Mr. Kerr has been connected with Government during twenty years, and I have the most full knowledge, in the highest degree satisfactory.—

Mr. Kerr is a gentleman of the highest character, and in the exercise of his duties as a public officer above our usual confidence.— I merit this testimony from a personal knowledge and experience extending over fifteen years.—

I make the highest pleasure and gratification to have of his promotion to the position of Superintendent.—

I am, My dear Sir,

Faithfully Yours,

(Signed) John Sargeson.—

Mr: J. Kerr.

Superintendent of Prisons & Chichester.

Chichester.—

Mr: Sargeson, dated 31st/97.—

My dear Sir.—

I have very much pleasure in recommending Mr. J. M. Kerr for the position of Superintendent. I have been personally acquainted with Mr. Kerr for a time of years and know him to be thoroughly energetic and efficient.— Mr. Kerr's faithfully,

(Signed) W. J. Sargeson.—

Mr: Kerr: J. Kerr.

Superintendent of Prisons & Chichester.

Chichester.—

Copy.—

Simcoe, April 2nd 1887.—

To: the Hon: Geo: E. Foster,
Minister of Marine and Fisheries.—
Ottawa.—

My dear Sir.—

Although at present personally unknown to you, that is something I hope to remedy in the near future, I take the liberty of writing you in favour of a very deserving Old Friend of mine, Mr. J. W. Kerr. I beg to recommend him to your favourable consideration for the position of Inspector of Fisheries.— I have known Mr. Kerr, ever since I can remember.— I have also had occasion ever since 1866. to be often brought into personal contact and communication with Mr. Kerr in his official duties. I can say with great pleasure that in no Department of the public service can be found a more Zealous and efficient officer.—

I sincerely trust that you can see your way to make him Inspector of Fisheries.— I am sure it will not only be a just promotion but greatly to the public benefit of the Fishery Service.—

Yours faithfully.—
(Signed.) D. Tisdale.

Copy.—

To: the Hon:
Geo: E. Foster,
Minister of Marine and Fisheries,—
Ottawa.— My dear Sir,— I take the liberty of addressing you in behalf of one the Prince John W. Kerr Esqre. He is a very old resident of this County and is ~~[illegible]~~ respected.— He has as you are aware held the office of P. Warden for a great many years, and has performed the duties with great energy and ability.— He is now an applicant for the office of Inspector for the Port of Ottawa at an increased salary, and I have much pleasure in recommending that he receives that appointment. I am Yours faithfully.— Alex. McKay M.P.P.

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Copy/-

Lincoln, August 2nd 1887.-

Mr: P. Mc: Gee: Jr: to Clerk.

Minutes of Meeting and Business.-

Gentlemen.--

My dear Sir.--

Although at present

personally unknown to you, that is something I hope

to remedy in the near future, I feel the liberty of writing

you in favour of a very deserving Old Pensioner

of mine, viz: J. W. Hill. I beg to recommend him to

your favourable consideration for the position of doorkeeper

of Chambers.-- I have known viz: Hill ever since

I was township.- I have also had occasion ever

since 1866. to be often brought into personal contact

and communication with viz: Hill in his official capacity.

I am sure with great pleasure that in our Re-

partment of the public service we do possess a

more Sober and efficient officer.----

I sincerely trust that you will see your way to

make his appointment of Chairman.- I am sure it

will not only be a just promotion but greatly

to the public benefit of the Civil Service.--

Yours faithfully.--

(Signed) C. Chadwick.

Copy.-

Mr: P. Mc: Gee: Lincoln, August 1887.-

Jr: to Clerk.

Minutes of Meeting and Business.-

Gentlemen.-- My dear Sir.-- I have the honour of

acknowledging your in behalf of your letter of the 2nd to a

very old friend of this Country and a necessary supporter.-- In the

as you are aware that the office of Chairman is a great very

and the responsible one with great emoluments attached.-

I am very sorry I cannot see my way clear to

make his appointment to the office of Chairman I do know of better

of an honest worthy man and have much pleasure in recommending that

he receive that appointment. Yours faithfully.- John Gee Jr.

Private!

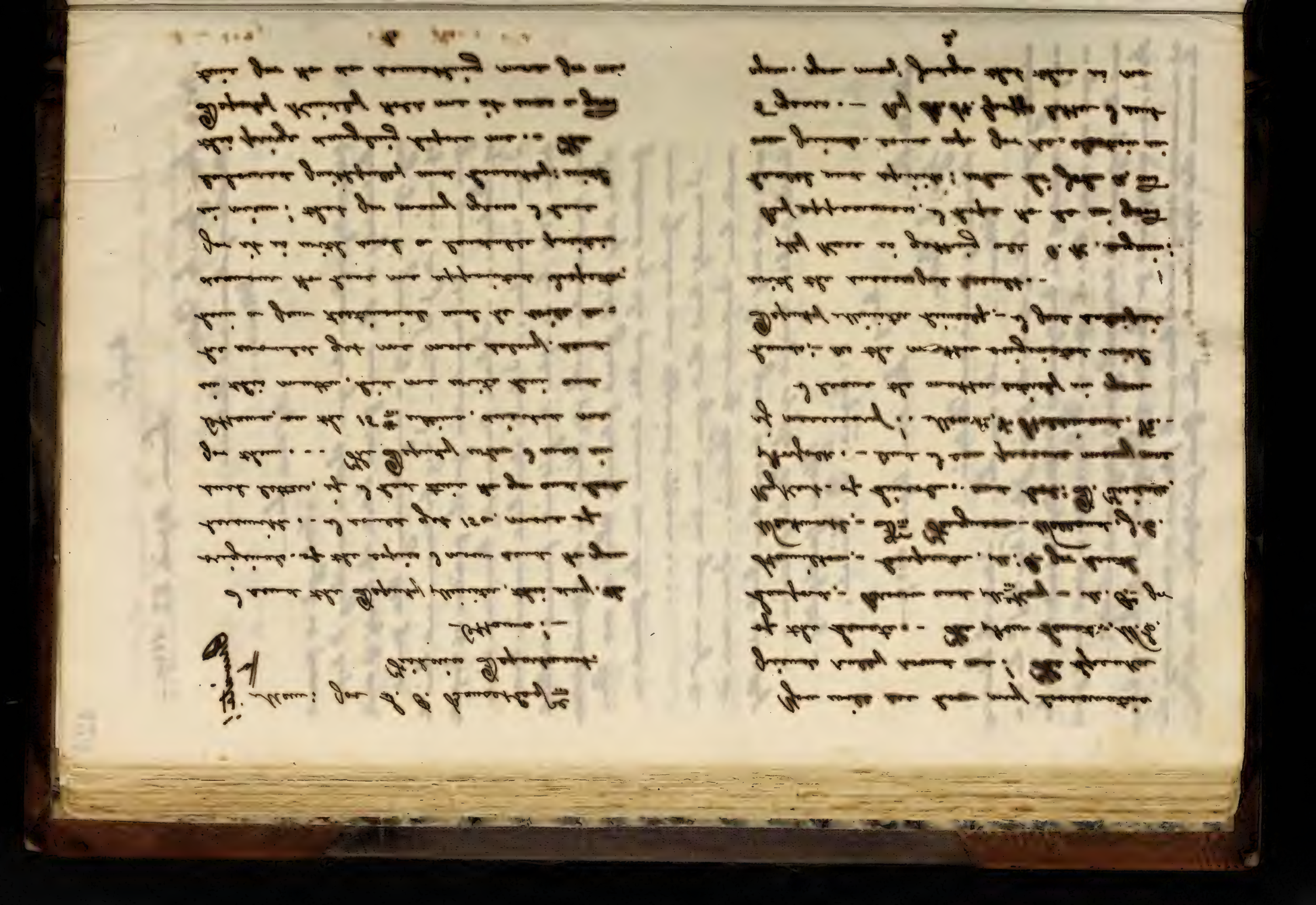
Man: Jos. S. O. Bancroft Esq.
Fisheries Department,
Ottawa! —

I send the Deputy Minister, this day, the originals of the copies I now send to you herewith. — I could get 150, more of such letters, if I had time to go and look for them. — The Deputy when I was in Ottawa, on the 15th ultimo, directed me in this matter, bid me write him and he would get me more salary, send him a few testimonials and he would endeavour to have me appointed Inspector, for it is with such a laudable position in view! that for many years I have laboured faithfully and honestly; with this prize dangling before me. — The Deputy kindly told me it was a good time for him to do something more for me.

You will see how my Conservative friends rally round me! The Speaker of the Senate. — The New Senator, W. E. Sanford. — Brown and McKay — M. P.s for Hamilton, — Carpenter, M. P. for South Wentworth, — Dr. Ferguson — Wallbank, J. C. Rykert — of Lincoln, — and Col. D. Tisdale, Norfolk. — And I can procure many more if necessary! — Mowat, & Holmes, K. —

I leave the matter entirely in your hands; — as the matter originated with Deputy Minister himself, — I feel satisfied with the successful result. —

My Knee is getting all O. K. again: by appearances, I hope to be in good health and spirits; when Sir John A. & our friends come up for re-election in 5 years. — By Mr. Gripp's letter I sent you, you may judge that there is no



unkind feeling towards Lower Canada by the members of T. point Company.— Sam: D. Woodruff, President,— Benjamin Kilmaster, Vice President,— and H. H. Pratt, Secretary &c. are stiff reformers or Tories. I can always get along smoothly and pleasantly with these people.— The rest of the T. point Company are Conservatives.— But Sharp has his own strange notions!— Whatever arrangements the Deputy Minister, and generally my mate in this matter, for my future benefit, as that of my family.— Please bear in mind that I have no desire to be excluded of any part of my present Division, in Lake Sci, and Ontario.— I am always happy, when I have plenty to do; and it is apparent of by you!.—

Hamilton, Ont.
6. Apri. 1867.

Yours respectfully,—
J. Whitham &c.

Hamilton, Ont.,—
6. April 1867.—

My dear John A.—

Yours received! I got on well in Ottawa! and I have gone to see the Ministers with my recent trip to Ottawa! as I will tell you!.— Come to Hamilton on Saturday next, and I will give you some wrinkles! — Kate,

It has been a long weary winter.— My little girl arrived in splendid condition! he was very thankful.— His gives to whom he gave some prairie chickens to the others.— Also the Comet, praised the Veo! I was in the Department all day, on the 15. March last, from 10. a.m., until 5. p.m. in consultation on fishery matters, with Mr. Rogers!— Yours fraternally,—

John A. Macdonald Esq.
M.P. Ottawa.—

J. Whitham &c.

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John William Kerr.
Hamilton
1st January 31st March 7

			Miles.	
1887.				
January.	9.	On Burlington Bay, - Sunday. - having heard persons were out spearing. - - -	H. & C. 1. 25 M. -	2. 00. -
"	10.	On Dundas Marsh, and all over Burlington Bay, collecting spearing licence fees. - -	H. & C. 1. 26. M.	2. 50. -
"	11.	Off Brouts getting annual returns, thence on to Port Credit, &c. - - -	Ry. &c. 1. 66. M. -	3. 40. -
"	21.	On B. bay, collecting spearing licences. -	1. 24. H & C.	2. 00. -
"	24.	Off to Port Dover, met Eustace D. Sharp, went over his annual returns. -	H & C. 1. 46. Ry. -	4. 65. -
"	25.	Off Port Dover and Hamilton. -	1. 46. do.	1. 85. -
"	31.	Off Port Colburne and Ridgeway. - -	1. 60. do.	9. 00.
February.	1.	Off Ridgeway, Blackrock, S. Bridge, and Hamilton. -	Ry. &c. 1. 80. Team.	4. 71. -
"	3.	Off to Port Credit, and back home. -	1. 62. Ry.	3. 50. -
"	5.	Off Mimico, got up annual returns. -	1. 32. H & C.	2. 25. -
"	9.	Off St Catharines to see Peter Hatt. -	1. 70. Ry.	3. 95. -
"	11.	Off to Port Dover and S. point, and back to Port Dover. -	Team. 1. 76. Ry. -	6. 60. -
"	12.	Home to Hamilton, from Pt Dover. -	1. 46. do.	3. 00. -
March.	3.	Off Toronto, Humber Bay, to see C. Nurse, and Overseer Halliwell. -	Ry. H & C. 1. 94. C. -	3. 35. -
"	14.	Off to Toronto, thence to Ottawa to	- - -	- - -
"	15.	see the Deputy Minister, Hon. the Minister,	Was introduced to	
"	16.	and the Premier. - Here all day, on the 15th inst. conversed with Deputy Minister on Fishing matters. - - -	The Hon. the Minister and conversed with him. 3. 838. M.	27. 40. -
"	22.	Off St Catharines to see Peter Hatt. -	1. 72. Ry.	4. 25. -
"	24.	Off do. to meet Charles Boulton of Niagara, on fishing business. - -	1. 72. do.	3. 70. -
"	25.	Off Toronto, and back home again. -	1. 92. do.	5. 25. -
"	28.	Off Pt Colburne, Ridgeway, Port Erie, S. Bridge and Niagara. - - -	Ry. &c. 1. 170. H & C.	12. 80. -
"	29.	Off Niagara all day, amongst the Fishermen. -	1. 2. - -	1. 00. -
"	30.	Off Niagara, S. Bridge and Hamilton,	1. 60. Ry.	3. 40. -
Add!!		Commissions, - paid during the past year, and now entered in the acct. -	Team. 2. 84 Miles.	12. 00. -
		Carried Over! - - - - -	25. 2143 M.	122. 56

The William Kerr

Hamilton

1st January 31st March 7

					William.		
1881. January.	9.	By Burlington Corp. - Assessment - Paving			4½ d.		
		Same persons sum expending - - -		1.	25 dr. -	2.	00.-
"	10.	By Salaries allowed, and all-sum Ins =					
		Inspector Corp. collecting expending licenses			4½ d.		
		1881. - - -		1.	26. dr.	2.	50.-
"	11.	By Trouts getting annual returns, Thomas			Hul. 4.		
		or Mr Great Hall. 4. - - -		1.	66. dr.-	3.	40.-
"	21.	By do. Corp. collecting expending licenses. -		1.	24. 4½d.	2.	00.-
"	24.	Cash to Mr Ker, post bottom of Corp.			4½ d.		
		must pay his annual returns. -		1.	46. Hul.-	4.	62.-
"	25.	By Mr Ker, our Hamilton. -		1.	46. do.	1.	85.-
"	31.	By Mr Robinson our Bridgeman. - -		1.	60. do.	9.	00.
February.	1.	By Bridgeman Allowance. Mr Bridge.			Hul. 4.		
		our Hamilton. -		1.	80. Clem.	4.	71.-
"	3.	Cash to Mr Hall, our last home. -		1.	62. Hul.	3.	50.-
"	5.	Mr Wilson, pay up annual returns. -		1.	32. 4½d.	2.	25.-
"	9.	By Mr Robinson to see Peter Hall. -		1.	40. Hul.	3.	90.-
"	11.	Cash to Mr Kerr our Council room			Clem.		
		last to Mr Kerr. - -		1.	40. Hul.-	6.	60.-
"	12.	Home to Hamilton, from Mr Kerr. -		1.	46. do.	3.	00.-
March.	3.	By Trouts Member Hall to see 6.			Hul. 4½		
		Horse our Governor Wellington. -		1.	4½ d.	3.	37.-
"	14.	Cash to Trouts Horse to Ottawa to			- - -	- -	- -
"	15.	see the Deputy Minister, Hon Mr Minister.					Also surrendered to
"	16.	our Mr Stewart. - Also all day, see the					Cash Hon Mr the Minister
		12th must Commence with Deputy Minister on					and Commence with him
		Building matters. - - -		5.	838. dr.	37.	40.-
"	22.	By Mr Robinson to see Peter Hall. -		1.	72. Hul.	4.	25.-
"	24.	By do. to meet Messrs Bowlter of					
		Prescott, on Building business. -		1.	72. do.	3.	70.-
"	25.	By Trouts, our last home again. -		1.	92. do.	5.	25.-
"	26.	By Mr Robinson, Bridgeman, Cash his			Hul. 4.		
		to Bridge our Prescott. - -		1.	120. 4½d.	12.	80.-
"	29.	By Prescott all day, brought the					
		Chairman. -		1.	2.-.-	1.	00.-
"	30.	By Prescott, to Bridge our Hamilton,		1.	60. Hul.	3.	40.-
April. 11.		Commissioner, from during the past year			Clem.		
		our new Entered in the Mr. -		2.	84. dr.	12.	00.-
		Amount Carried Over		25.	2142. dr.	1122.	56¼

John William Kerr. —

Hamilton

1st January, 31st March 7

			Miles.	
1887. January.	9.	On Burlington Bay, — "Sunday," — having heard persons were out spearing. — —	S+C. 1. 25. M.	2. 00. —
"	10.	On Dundas Marsh, and all over Burlington Bay, — Collecting spearing licence fees! —	S+C. 1. 26. M.	2. 50. —
"	11.	At Brants, getting annual returns, thence on to Port Credit, Vt.	Ry. Vt. 1. 66. M.	3. 40. —
"	21.	On B. bay, — collecting spearing licenses.	1. 24. S+C.	2. 00. —
"	24.	Off to Port Dover, met Coarser D. Sharp, went over his annual returns. — —	S. + C. 1. 46. Ry.	4. 65. —
"	25.	At Port Dover and Hamilton. —	1. 46. do.	1. 85. —
"	31.	At Port Colburne and Ridgeway. — —	1. 60 do.	9. 00. —
February.	1.	At Ridgeway, Blackrock, S. Bridge, and Hamilton. —	Ry. Vt. 1. 80. Team	4. 71. —
"	3.	Off to Pt. Credit and back home. —	1. 62. Ry. —	3. 50. —
"	5.	At Winona, got up annual returns. —	1. 32. S+C.	2. 25. —
"	9.	At St Catharines, to see Otter Hath. — —	1. 70. Ry.	3. 95. —
"	11.	Off to Port Dover, and T. point, and back to Port Dover. —	Team. 1. 76. Ry.	6. 60. —
"	12.	Home to Hamilton from Pt. Dover. —	1. 40. do.	3. 80. —
March.	3.	At Toronto Humber Bay, to see C. Nurse — and Coarser Hellewell.	Ry. Vt. 1. 94. + C.	3. 35. —
"	14. 15. 16.	Off to Toronto thence to Ottawa, to see the Deputy Minister, Hon. Mr. Minister, and Mr Bennet. — Here all day, on the 15th instant conversed with Deputy Minister on Fishing matters. — —	— — — , — — — Have introduced to the Hon. The Minister and conversed with him. 3. 838. M.	27. 40. —
"	22.	At St Catharines to see Otter Hath. — —	1. 72. Ry.	4. 25. —
"	24.	At do, to meet Charles Boulton of Niagara on fishing business. — —	1. 72. do.	3. 70. —
"	25.	At Toronto, and back home again. —	1. 92. do.	5. 25. —
"	28.	At Pt. Colburne, Ridgeway, Port Erie, S. Bridge and Niagara. —	Ry. Vt. 1. 170. M.+C.	12. 80. —
"	29.	At Niagara all day amongst the Fishermen. —	1. 2. — —	1. 00. —
"	30.	At Niagara, S. Bridge and Hamilton.	1. 60 Ry.	3. 40. —
Odd! —		Commission — paid during the past year, and now entered in this acct.	Team. 2. 84. M.	12 00. —
		Carried Over! — —	25. 2.143. M. + 122	56 c.

John Dickson Esqr.—

Hamilton

1st January, 31st March 7

1887.						
January.	9.	To Burlington Bay.—Summer Fishing				
		Bass passing over and spawning. — —		1.	25. Mk.	2. 00.—
"	10.	To Salmon allowed, and all over Burlington Bay.—				
		Fees !—		1.	26. Mk.	2. 70.—
"	11.	Mr Brunte, getting summer returns, taken on to Port Credit. &c.		1.	60. Mk.	3. 40.—
"	21.	To G. Bay.— Collecting spawning licences.		1.	24. Mk.	2. 00.—
"	24.	Off to Port Colborne, meet Governor G. Bay.				
		meet over his annual returns. — —		1.	46. Mk.	4. 60.—
"	25.	Mr Port Colborne and Hamilton.—		1.	46. do.	1. 85.—
"	31.	Mr Port Dalhousie and Bridgeport. — —		1.	60 do.	9. 00.—
February.	1.	Mr Bridgeport, Blackhawk, & Burlington and Hamilton.—		1.	80. do.	4. 40.—
"	3.	Off to Port Credit and back home.—		1.	62. Mk.	3. 70.—
"	5.	Mr Hamilton, get my annual returns.—		1.	32. Mk.	2. 25.—
"	9.	Mr Dalhousie, to see Peter Hart.— —		1.	70. Mk.	3. 95.—
"	11.	Off to Port Colborne, and G. Bay, and back to Port Colborne.—		1.	46. Mk.	6. 60.—
"	12.	Home to Hamilton from Port Colborne.—		1.	46. do.	3. 00.—
March.	3.	Mr Brunte, Hamilton Bay, to see G. Horne.— and Governor Robinson.		1.	94. Mk.	3. 35.—
"	14.	Off to Brunte, Horne to Oshawa, to see the Deputy Minister, the Minister, and the Premier.— —				— — — —
		the 15th instant, connected with Deputy Minister on Fishing matters.—				Home and Hamilton to the Port Colborne the 15th Minister and connected with him.
				5.	835. Mk.	24. 40.—
"	22.	Mr Dalhousie to see Peter Hart.—		1.	72. Mk.	4. 20.—
"	24.	Mr do. to meet Inspector Hamilton of Hogers on fishing business.— —		1.	72. do.	3. 70.—
"	25.	Mr Brunte, and back home again.—		1.	92. do.	5. 25.—
"	28.	Mr Port Dalhousie, Bridgeport, Port Credit, & Brunte and Oshawa.—		1.	140. Mk.	12. 80.—
"	29.	Mr Oshawa all day amongst the Fishermen.—		1.	2.— —	4. 00.—
"	30.	Mr Oshawa, & Brunte and Hamilton, Burlington.— Point running the Point Oyster and now entered in this report.		1.	60 Mk.	3. 40.—
Total !—				2.	84. Mk.	12 00.—
		Brought over !— —		25.	2,143. Mk.	122 50 ¢

Hamilton! Ont. —

Sir. — 7th April 1887. — —

I have the honor to send you herewith, for your consideration and approval my accounts, and expenditure incurred by me during my active duties in the Hamilton, Norfolk and Elgin Divisions, of Lakes Erie and Ontario, for the quarter ending 31st of March 1887, amounting to. — $122.56¢.

Add! voucher No: 1.	John W. Kerr.	For Satchel,	—	9.00¢.
— " —	— " —	— " — 2. John W. Kerr. — —	Office Rent. —	5.00¢.
— " —	— " —	— — 3. John W. Kerr. —	— Express charges, —	2.10¢.
— " —	— " —	— — 4. John W. Kerr. —	— Telegraphs. —	2.50¢.
— " —	— " —	— — 5. John W. Kerr. —	— Postages — —	3.48¢.
— " —	— " —	— — 6. John W. Kerr. —	— Stationery. —	1.86¢.
— " —	— " —	— — 7. Ed: J. Kerr, Boatman,	Do. —	18.75¢
			Total. —	$165.25¢

Notwithstanding a most unmerciful Ice gall, — on last Christmas day, — which damaged and injured my right Knee: I travelled 2.059, — miles, during the quarter ending 31st March 1887. —

My recent visit to your Department, at your request, has done me much good in mind and body! so much for the kindly - friendly way! you and all treated me: — I thank you for it all, from the bottom of my heart. —

The Deputy Minister, Department of Fisheries, — Ottawa! Ont.

Yours Obediently. —
John W. Kerr. —
Fishery Overseer. —

Hamilton! Sept.—

Sir:— 7th Sept. 1887.—

I have the honor to send you herewith, for your consideration and approval my account, and supplementary account for me during my letters ad=tio in the Hamilton, Wyoth and Sign Missions, of clothes line and lutern. for the quarter ending 31st of March 1887. amounting to.— $1.122.76 ct.

Sept! receiver sto: 1.- John M. Hen.- Sir detailed.—- 9.00 ct.
—"— —"— —"— 2. John M. Hen.—"— Office Rent.— 5.00 ct.
—"— —"— —"— 3. John M. Hen.— —"— Express charges.— 2.10 ct.
—"— —"— —"— 4. John M. Hen.— —"— Telegraphs.— 2.50 ct.
—"— —"— —"— 5. John M. Hen.— —"— Postages.— 3.48 ct.
—"— —"— —"— 6. John M. Hen.— —"— Stationery.— 1.86 ct.
—"— —"— —"— 7. Sec: G. Hen. Boatman. &c.— 18.75 ct.

Total.— $1.157.25 ct

Hotwithstanding a most unnecessary loss per.— on last Hamilton day.— which damaged our supplies my sight three: & travelled 2.057.— miles, during the quarter ending 31st March 1887.—

My record reflect to your Department, at your request, how close we could good in music our body! be usual for the Monthly- Provently my: you our all treated me:— I thank you for it all. from the bottom of my heart.—

The Deputy Minister, Yours Gratefully.—
Department of Fisheries.— Johnson Hen.—
Ottawa! Ont.
Fishery Officer.

Allow; for I. A. nothing
Chiefs Department. —
Chiefs Office!. —

Sir, I received Your letter dated Chiefs. for Legan, this Evening; the Chiefs are waiting for them. — I send in my dutiful Respects to Today. — By it as possible. I'd like very much to get the cheque from you by next Thursday. — so as to start for Legan — on next Thursday. —

I am dear Sir, — Yours, Respectfully, — and Geo: Brown — to get Brown and Sy, Hd. Quarters, Toronto, working 5. on getting an additional five Pounds each, — pending in. all. — Freeman should have a home to get it 5 pounds also — he walked 20, miles to make you this! Chiefs at last! Electric event these at my request, and Sincerely Yours, Respectfully. —

Hamilton, Ont. Chiefs. &c.

Wm. Y. Emery. — Port Burwell. — } Licence received, for you, and get Geo: Brown — to get five Pounds each, — pending on

7th April 1887. Brantford. — Hamilton, Ont. } John W. Keys. — J. C.

Mr. Joseph Page Brey. — Hamilton, Ont.

Tyrconnell — Ont, 7th April 1887. —

My dear Sir. — I have just received your licence for to get two Pounds. — Also licence for Mr. Wm. Church, for to get two Pounds. — please tell Mr. Church, and govern yourselves accordingly. —

Yours V. — John W. Keys J. C.

Wm. Church licence, &c.
Joseph Page Brey. — 1880. —

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Hamilton, Ont.
20. May. 1887.—

My dear Paddy.—

Dont you think the time has arrived when the license fees should be paid.— $. ¢.

1. Wm Hand for last year! 5.00.—
" do — for current year, 5.00.—
to be paid! — Total, $ 10.00¢.

2. Thomas Hand for the current year 1887.— is $ 5.00¢ - to be paid at once! —

3. Patrick Hand, Wiarton! For license fee for year 1887. $ 5.00¢.

I want all this Money - to send it to the Fisheries department Ottawa; who want to know why I allow you 3 people to fish before you first pay for your license: — I am Yours truly,

Mfs ns
John W. Kerr F.O.

Pat: Hand Esq —
Wiarton, Ont. }

John Ellison Jr.
Pat Stanley.—
Hamilton, Ont.
7. April 1887.

Time received for you and
Orie to fish from Saturday last,
John W. Kerr
F.O.—

John Allison Esq.
Dat. Hamilton.—
Hamilton, Dat.
7. August 1843.

Sirs, I have to part you Bounds and Stipulations—
Sir.—

My dear Lang,

I am just in receipt of your Pedlar's licence, Dan Patterson's licence and G. W. Gauthier's licence for the year 3 Pound Notes each during the current year. — Please inform D. Patterson, and G. W. Gauthier, and govern yourself accordingly. — —

With Kind regards, —

Yours Sincerely, —

John Ketchum.

J. C. —

Dan: Lang Esqre
Eagle P. Office.

Patterson,	3, Pounds,	150.
Gauthier 3.	—	150.
Lang, 3.	—	150
		£450.00

John Ketchum
Pro.

Hamilton, Ont.
7. April 1867. —

My dear Brother Thompson. —

I have just received your licence for the year 2. pounds, — Sylvanus Young & boy's licence, for the year 5 Pounds! "what do you say to me now!" and a licence for F. A. Kutz, for the year 2 Pounds, — I had a letter from Kutz — last evening. —

Please inform Young and Kutz, and govern yourself accordingly. — —

I hope you are all right again, and that you are enjoying the cold winter as it comes and goes, — And I hope your Nieces — are well, and with my warm regards to you and family, — believe me! —

Yours Fraternally, —

John Ketchum — Pro.

Thomas Thompson, Esqre
St Catharines.

Hamilton, Sept.
7. Juni 1897.

Mein lieber Herr Professor. —

Ich habe gestern Ihnen geschrieben für die Zeit 2. Juni. — Inzwischen kommen heute Morgen Ihre Briefe 5. Juni. Wie die Zeit 5. Juni nun nun? Heute 2. Juni. — Ich habe Ihnen für die Zeit 2 Tage. — Ich habe Ihnen Morgen. Ich habe Ihnen gestern generell zugesagt. —

Meine sicheren Grüße an Alle.

Ihr treu ergebener Schulz.

Ich habe gar nichts gegen die Zeit 5. Juni. — Und Ihr Brief 5. Juni. — Ich habe Ihnen nur nun? Heute 2. Juni. — Ich habe Ihnen Morgen. Ich habe Ihnen gestern generell zugesagt. —

Meine sicheren Grüße an Alle.

Ihr treu ergebener Schulz.

Ich habe gar nichts gegen die Zeit 5. Juni. — Und Ihr Brief 5. Juni. — Ich habe Ihnen nur nun? Heute 2. Juni. — Ich habe Ihnen Morgen. Ich habe Ihnen gestern generell zugesagt. —

Meine sicheren Grüße an Alle.

Ihr treu ergebener Schulz.

Mein: Meine Frau

Angle 6. Affe. 4

Hamburg. — 4. Juni. — 192. M.

Hamilton 4. — 192.

Schwyz. 4. — 192.

Mittwoch 4.170.07

Ihr.

Hamilton, Ont.
6. April 1847.—

My dear Mr Lucy,—

I received the Pot. this afternoon — you, Swan and Rathbun, a license to sell 5 pounds printing on Mapham.— Brown and Lindsay — a license to sell 5 pounds — on their old grounds.— I recommended Frank Jackson for 5 pounds,— but any thing Sharp has a say in will never go right.— —

I was in Simcoe last Saturday, and Col: Tisdale, told me he was going to see Sharp, and try and place you at Waters landing.— The Colonel told me how Peter Price — had given the ground. I expected you would have got between the New and Old Lots to Sweet.— I wrote Mr Bennet thereon.

1.

I will send you a telegraph in the morning and post this letter, only so that you may see Mr Sharp this night.— Frank Jackson — has letter apply at once to Sharp — for his license.—

I have notified Mr my Pot. licenses to night,— to the extent of 42 pounds,— so that they may go to work at once.— Sharp will get hurdy in to a stew before he knows where he is! he is a man of no discernment.— You may then expect to see me at Port Burwell.— —

Hurdy remember me to Mrs Lucy, and the children: my wife and family are well.— pay Mac is slowly improving. I received 14 pounds — after I got the pay, but since I came back from Ottawa I have gained 2 pounds,— Will come as guess to you. Yours and all Yours V. Jeffers

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Hamilton Ont.—

Sir,— 7th April 1877.—

I have the honor to apply to you for Boat licenses for the undermentioned fishermen, for to fish Gill nets in Lake Ontario, during this current year fronting on the County of Lincoln, between Kennedy's Hollow, Niagara and the State line, which is in the Township of Canton; extending from the beach outwards between the given points Two Miles in to the waters of the Lake!.

1. John Kelton of Niagara! "For to fish 4,000. yards of Herring, Lahore Trout and White fish Gill nets therein at the usual rate for the season of" — — — — $ 5.00 —
2. Charles Kelton of Niagara! "For do! do!" 5.00 —
3. Albert and Charles Kelton of Niagara! "For to fish 4,000. yards of Herring, Lahore Trout and White fish gill nets, at the usual rate for the season!" $ 5.00 —
4. Robert John Allen, Niagara! "For do. do. do." 5.00 —
5. Robert Bishop of Niagara! "For 2 boats to fish 6,000. yards of White fish and Herring gill nets, same as set forth above! — the amount will be!" — — — $ 10.00 —
6. Isaac Pickard, Beaverdam! "For a license to fish Two boats containing 7000 yards of Herring gill nets in Lake Ontario fronting on the County of Halton; during this current year and the usual rate of $5. per boat" — amount — $ 10.00 —
7. Richard Joyce, Beaverdam. "For license to fish 8,000. yards of Herring gill nets, — do. do. do!" amount! — $ 10.00 —
8. Thomas Joyce, Beaverdam! "For do. do. do!" $ 10.00 —
9. Robert Joyce, Beaverdam! — "For do. do. do." $ 10.00 —
10. John Lattle, Beaverdam! — "For do. — do — do." $ 10.00 —
11. James Joyce, Beaverdam! "For do. do. do." $ 10.00

I recommend that you will be pleased to grant the above Boat licenses. — Respectfully Submitted.

The Deputy Minister, — John W. Kerr.
Department of Fisheries. — Fishery Overseer.
Ottawa! Ont. —

Hamilton, Ont.

No. 7th June 1897.

I have the honor to apply to you for the license for the manufacture, I am to put up a brick building on the Township of Barton, having the control you granting me the license, between Hamilton, Ontario and the 3rd side line, which is in the Township of Saltfleet; intending from the local authorities between the points, the allies in to the center of the lots.

1. Jobe Bolton of Hamilton. The to pay $400. Four hundred dollars, dollars about one thousand dollars paid yearly, at the annual rate for the season of. - - - $ 5.00 -
2. Alberto Bolton of Hamilton. The ac. ac. $ 5.00 -
3. Albert one Alberto Bolton of Hamilton. The to pay $400. Four hundred dollars, dollars about one thousand dollars paid yearly, at the annual rate for the season. $ 5.00 -
4. Robert Jobe Bolton, Hamilton. The ac. ac. ac. $ 5.00 -
5. Robert Bailey of Hamilton. The 2 lots. to pay $600. Four hundred dollars paid one thousand yale rate, dollars on the yearly rate. - the amount rate to. $ 10.00 -
6. Thomas Bolton, Barrett. The ac. Barrett to pay the lots containing 100 Four hundred dollars yale rate, in lots Barrett on the township of Saltfleet; during the current year, at the annual rate of $5. per lot. amount $ 10.00
7. Richard Jones. Barrett. The Barrett to pay $600. Four hundred dollars yale rate. ac. ac. amount $ 10.00 -
8. Thomas Jones. Barrett. The ac. ac. ac. $ 10.00 -
9. Robert Jones. Barrett. The ac. ac. ac. $ 10.00 -
10. Jobe Bailey. Barrett. The ac. ac. ac. $ 10.00 -
11. James Jones. Barrett. The ac. ac. ac. $ 10.00

I recommend that you write to Thomas to grant the above Barrett licenses. - Respectfully submitted.

The Deputy Minister.
Department of Railways.
Ottawa, Ont.

Chas. Mitchell.
Chief Engineer.

Hamilton! Ont. –

Sir. – 7th April 1887. –

I have the honor to apply to you for Boat licenses for the undernamed Fishermen! For to fish gill nets in Lake Ontario, during this current year, – fronting on the County of Halton! –

12. William Joyce, Brants! – "For one boat containing 4.000, yards of Herring gill nets." amount is, – $. 5.00 c. –

13. James Joyce, Brants! – "For two boats, containing 8.000. yards of Herring gill nets" – $. 10.00 c. –

14. William Ingledew, Brants! – "For one boat, containing 4.000. yards, of Herring gill nets" – $. 5.00 c. –

15. John Ingledew, Brants! "For do, – do!" – $. 5.00 c. –

And I respectfully recommend that you will be pleased to grant the above license. – – –

I have the Honor to be. –

Sir. –

Your Obedient Servant. –

J. Hill Wise –

Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries. –
Ottawa, Ont. –

Hamilton, Ont.

7th April 1897.

Sir,

I have the honor to apply to you for the licenses for the undermentioned Hotels, to be held vacant in Ward. Intend running the current year.

Pertaining to the township of Barton.

12. Robinson Joyce. Hotel. For one hotel containing 4,000 yards of flooring cubic measure. $5.00

13. James Joyce. Hotel. For two hotels containing 8,000 yards of flooring cubic measure $10.00

14. Robinson Stephenson. Hotel. For one hotel containing 4,000 yards of flooring cubic measure $5.00

15. John Stephenson. Hotel. For do. do. do. $5.00

Hoping I respectfully recommend that you write be pleased to grant the above licenses.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Chas. Stephenson

Chief Constable.

The Inspector of Licenses,

Ottawa, Ont.

John Bolton Esq.
Niagara.

illton! Sept.—
April 18

My dear Sir!—

Your 5th instant, with
Messrs. Bain, Lau — vbo.— Barristers,
and Solicitors — Lo — o, of 1st instant,
received: — as ad — ssed to you!—

I have read over carefully their
letter, and the decision they have arrived
at, in the present instance, is m — h
strange to me;—

At the former trial The Hon. Mr.
Adam Crooks,— to whom you relin-
quished the beach referred to now,
drew up a document which was de-
posited in the Court at the trial;
and Mr. Thomas Gordon,— Barrister, now
referred to, was then a partner with
Mr. Bain,— and the document was at
the time — — drawn up with the con-
currence of Mr. Thomas Gordon.—
Mr. Thomas Gordon, Mr. A. A. Wadell,

and you drew up the document giv-
ing me the privilege — — — — to
occupy the beach, when I fished in
the public waters of Lake Ontario, in
front of the property now alluded to
by you! you were my Solicitors at
the time and I paid you as such,
Fifty dollars.— You are now try-
ing to pursue a contrary course to
what was agreed to in 1881,— the
same as I was then told by this self
same Thomas Gordon, and A. A. Wad-
dell, Barristers.— And that the con-
sent Judgement would be recorded
in the Court.— Giving me the right
to occupy the beach when I was fishing
was the voluntary proposal of the late
Adam Crooks,— who according to your
letter to me now! had the power
to do so.— I dont think I should
be asked now, that Mr. Thomas Gor-

has become the owner of the land you refer to, - enter in to an agreement to give up my privilege there, besides pay an annual rental. - - - - I dont consider the course pursued against me is fair or just in equity. - For Mr. Thomas Gordon, your partner then! informed me at the trial in 1881. - that had I maintained my ground, - then: the Court would have given Judgement in my favour, and have decided the case in my favour, in consequence of the length of time, I occupied the premises. - - -

The late Adam Crooks, never disturbed me! nor the late Doctor Ogna never disturbed me! - - -

I am as you are aware still in possession, and in this I now stand just. - - I dont consider the course pursued against me by Thomas

Gordon, is what an humble fathers man, might expect as a farmer christ at his hands. -

Now then, my Friends, - Boulton, Charles, and John. - I dont think if I was in your place, I would make any further concessions to Mr. Thomas Gordon: consider the matter over carefully and act discreetly. - get something if you can, instead of giving more away. - - -

You have Charles Bolton, A. A. Waddell, and J. W. Kerr, - to prove the late Adam Crooks - agreement. -

His letter authorises what you should write to Mr. Annie, Louisa, and Cay, - It would not be proper for me to go near Annie! - my position as Counsel debars me. -

Yours truly, W. Hill Wilson

has become the owner of the house upon refer to, - entitled to an opportunity to give up my privilege this, besides paying an annual rental ....

I dont remember the house purchase agreement as I am at quite a loss.

Mr. Thomas Jones, your position! informed me at the time in 1881, that but I mentioning my property, the: the court would have given judgment in my favour, and have decided the case in my favour, in consequence of the length of time I occupied the premises? ...

Mr. Tate Alum Bruce, your distributor in! on the tate alum Bruce never distributed me! ...

I am as you are aware able in possession, and in this I am alone out ... I dont remember the house purchase agreement for Mr. Thomas

Therefore, as a tenant an humble petitioner, might expect as a former client at his hands. -

Now this, sir Thomas, Doubtfully Honorable, and fair. - I dont think if I have in your place. I would make any further concessions to Mr. Thomas Jones: consider the matter over carefully and at disposal. - get something if you can, instead of giving more money. ...

You have Thomas Bellew, R.C. Honorable, and I. W. Clay. - to prove the late Alum Bruce agreement. -

Mr. Bellew evidence what you should write to Mr. Thomas, Clonsilla Lane, and say. - It would not be quite as fair as it is now Thomas! - Mr. Jones position is known above me. -

Yours truly, [illegible]

Hamilton, Ont. –
7th April 1887.–

My dear Sir. –

Will you be pleased to assess me as owner of parts of Lots 26. and 27. – 3rd Concession of the Township of Toronto. – – –

Containing 103 Acres. –

About 75 Acres is cleared land! – 28. Acres. – is bush, swamp and marsh land! and a Pond. – – –

This is the same property you have already assessed to Frank Reid, and to his son Wm Reid, as F. Son. –

I have the Deed of the place. –

You may assess Mr Frank Reid as Tenant; his son as he is at present.

Your compliance will much oblige. –

Charles M. Brown Esq. Assessor Township of Toronto! Credit. Post Office.

Yours respectfully,
J. [illegible]
Sidney Crescent.

J. H. Lamb Esq.
Assignee, 7 Hughson st. –
Hamilton – Ont. Barton, Hamilton! –

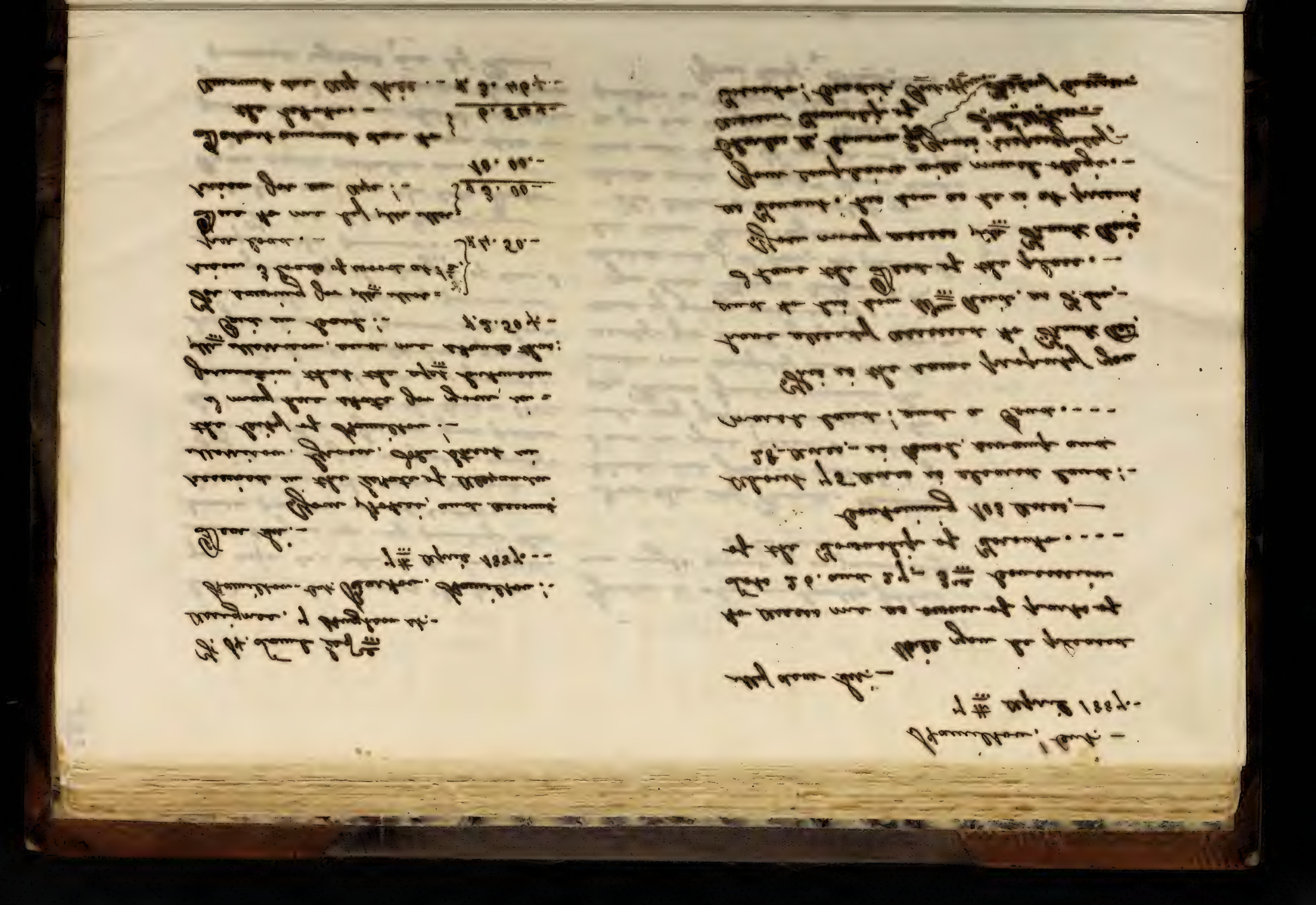
7th April 1887. – –

Dear Sir. –

Your Notes, and account received in the Estate of Alexander Morrison. Grocer, John Street in the City of Hamilton! –

I may here state for your information that the agt between Mr Morrison, and me stands thus:

Paid in Cash! –	$2.50 ¢. –
For sawing for Mr Morrison 3 loads of wood at 1½ per load. –	$4.50. –
Due to me by Mr Morrison for one Age! –	$3.00 –
	10.00. –
Deduct amount due to the Estate. –	6.54 ¢. –
Amount due My Bill. –	$3.46 ¢. –



Hamilton! Ont. -

Sir, 9th April 1887. -

I have the honor to submit for your information and consideration, an application from the Turkey Point Company. - Lake Erie: for a license of the several fishing stations situated in the Inner Bay. - of Turkey point, fronting on the Company's property. -

The application herewith, I found out in conversation with the Secretary, - is made to supplement the Title they already hold, by an additional license from the Department. - - Which will place the Company in a better position for the protection of the fish; the place asked for, being a most valuable breeding ground. -

I respectfully recommend that the annual rental of fifty dollars, be accepted and that the Turkey Point Company, be permitted to sublet. - -

Mr. Groff is accurate in his description of the fishing stations, so far as he has gone by numbers, in his letter to me: - but if the Turkey Point Company own the property "fronting" between fishing station 10. and Deep Hole point. - The license might be made to read! from Point de grass, to Deep hole point, Turkey point, Inner Bay - Lake Erie, in the Township of Charlotteville. - - "Respectfully recommended". - - -

I have the Honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant. -
John W. Kerr. -
Fishery Commr.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa! Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.

9th April 1887.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit for your information and consideration, an application from the Sterling Coal Company, asking for a lease of the remaining fishing station situated on the above Coy.'s of Sterling Point, fronting on the Company's property.

The application herewith, I found out on enquiring with the Secretary, is made to supplement the little tiny already held, by an additional lease from the Department. Initial with place the Company in a better position for the protection of the fish: the place sought for, being a most valuable breeding ground.

I respectfully recommend that the annual rental of fifty dollars, be accepted and that the Sterling Coal Company, be permitted to collect.

My Staff is assured in his assumption of the fishing stations, as far as it has been by members, in his letter to me:- but if the Sterling Coal Co. own the property "fronting" between fishing stations No. and Bay Side Point. The lease might be made to read: from Coal Co's place to Bay Side Point Sterling Point above Coy - Sale Sec. in the Township of Saltersville. Respectfully recommend: I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Saltersville.

Sterling Coal Co.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa: Ont.

Turkey Point Company.-

John W. Kerr. Esqre — Office of Secretary. --
Fishery Overseer. - Simcoe, Ont. 4th April 1887. -
Hamilton. -- Dear Sir. -

Referring to our recent correspondence in regard to Fishing berth in front of our property - (being in front of lots four, five, six, seven, eight and nine, Township of Charlotteville). --

We beg to propose the following as a solution of the difficulty. -- We will pay an annual rental of $50.00 Fifty dollars for the berths in front of the above property. -- I do not know the numbers of the berths: with the right of sub letting the same. This will make the lessors amenable to us. -- And we can govern their conduct. --

Yours respectfully. —
(Signed.) H. H. Groff. -
Secretary. —

Charlottetown Council Chamber.

John M. Hon. Esqre — Office of Secretary. —

Stanley Bremner. — Chamber, Oct. 4th August 1887. —

Hamilton. — Gent. &c.

Referring to our recent correspondence in regard to Stanley Bank in front of our property (being in front of lots Num. Five, and Seven, eight and nine, Township of Charlottetown). —

We beg to propose the following as a solution of the difficulty: — We will pay an annual tenor of $20.00 Eighty dollars for the bank in front of the above property. — I do not know the number of the bank: until the right of such letting the same. This will create the lessee amenable to us. — Just as you prefer this conduct. —

Yours respectfully. —

(Signed) H. A. Hyatt. —

Secretary. —

Memo: for S. O. Ramsay Esqre
Fisheries Department. -
Ottawa: Ont. -

Your kind letter received. I sent in my quarterly incidentals - on yesterday, but as I want to see some of the money, when I get it, you might advance me 50. besides .... I send the Deputy, an application from the Turkey point Company, - offering $50, - licence fee for the Fisheries in the Inner Bay. - I send you a copy of St. M. Groff's - (Secretary's) application. - -

I may here mention and you already know it, - that the fishing there, is of short duration in spring! owing to the "close season" for Bass, Pickerel and Maskinonge, commencing on 15th April, and ending on the 15th June. - Hence the Company require the protection for the fish they apply for. - The licence fee under the circumstances is fair and

ample, because of the short time in spring, to fish. - When June arrives, the reeds and bulrushes are grown up in the water on the stations in the Inner Bay, - so that until fall fishing scarcely little is done. -

When at home on last Saturday, before Christmas, we were getting up a Petition to the Department, for permission being granted to angle for Bass at long point, and the Inner Bay; Turkey point to the fishers for their own use! during close season. Sharp and Peter Price will sign the Petition. - Thanking you for your friendly friendship and love of me always. -

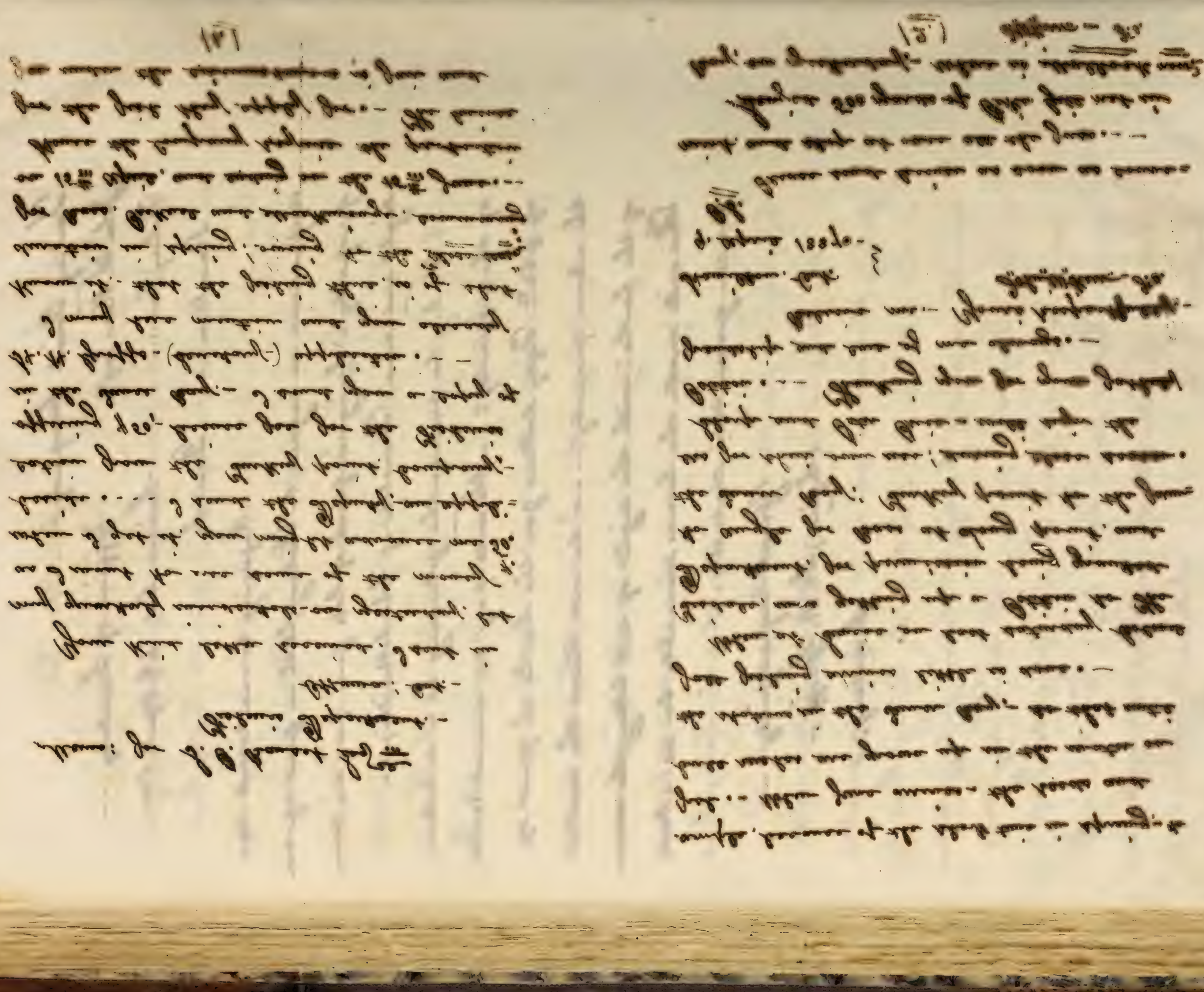
Believe me. - Yours respectfully. -
Hamilton, Ont. John Hilliard &c.
9. April 1870. -

P.S.

Secure and know as soon as convenient, and step at once all the fish. - -

Seize 500 yards of Pike fish net in Bay, on Saturday, value is shallback and

 Hilliard - &c.



Hamilton, Ont. –
9. April 1887. – – –

Sir,

I have the honor to apply to you for Seine Hauling licenses for fish in the Niagara River, during the current year of 1887. – – – Viz:

1. Nicholas Lovitt – Buffalo. For a seine license to fish in the Niagara River. – The license to be the same in every respect as that issued last year. –
The amount is to be only $15.00 for this year. – – –

2. Chester A. Davis. – Fort Erie. – For a seine license to fish in the Niagara River at Fort Erie. – The license to be the same as last year in every respect. – – –
The amount is to be only $15.00 for this year. – – –

3. – Henry A. Stoppani, Lewiston. – For a seine license to fish in the Niagara River at Lewiston. – This license is to be the same as that issued to him last year. –

4. Messrs Joseph Gabriel & son Joseph Gabriel Jr. Lewiston. For a license to fish a stationary in the Niagara River, same in every respect as license issued last year. –
The amount is to be $10. – for license this year. –

5. Chester Wadsworth, Lewiston. – For license to fish two stationary in the Niagara River, at Lewiston. –
This license is to be the same as last year, and the license fee is to be $20.00 for. –

6. Joseph Masters, Niagara. For a Boat license to fish 4000. Yards of white fish and herring gill nets, in Lake Ontario, – between Kennedy's Hollow – Town of Niagara, and 30 Mile Creek – in Township of Clinton. – The license is to be, $5.00 for. –

I recommend that you will be pleased to grant the above licenses – for this current year.

I have the honor to be,
Sir –
Your Obedient Servant,
J. Phillips, F.O.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries –
Ottawa, Ont. –

Hamilton, Ont.—

&c.

9 Mos. ending 1st Sept. 1897.—

Building Licenses: The total paid in the Township during this current year of 1897.— Viz:

1. Frederick Smith.— Dwelling: The license fee for the paid in the Township Treas. in the year 1897 as that amount last year.—

The amount is the sum of $15.00 this year.—

2. Alberta A. Morris.— Dwelling: The license fee paid in the Township Treas. at Stoney Creek. The license fee the same as last year in every respect.—

The amount is the sum of $15.00 this year.—

3. Henry A. Hoppner, Gleneden: The license fee paid in the Township Treas. at Gleneden.— The license fee is the same as that amount the sum last year.—

4. Wm. Hoppner, Gleneden: The same Dwelling: The license fee paid in the Township Treas. at Gleneden.

The same in every respect as last year.—

The amount is the sum of $15.00 for this year.—

5. Alberta Beaumont, Gleneden: The license fee paid the Township in the Township Treas. at Gleneden.—

The license is the same as last year.—

The license fee is the sum of $20.00.—

6. Joseph Martin, Stoney Creek: The license fee paid was. Paid of which paid on Stoney Creek, in Stoney Creek.— between Stoney Creek.— The of Township, and Township Treas.— in Gleneden of Gleneden:.— The license is the sum of $5.00.—

Assessment the year such the license paid the same license. for this current year.

The Supplementary

Supplement of Gleneden.— Jas. Gleneden Beaumont.

Gleneden, Ont.— Gleneden, &c.

Hamilton, Ont. –

Sir. – 11th April 1887. – –

I have to report for your information, that on Thursday last I received from Peter Hall, of Port Dalhousie, fisherman, per Express, a male Salmon, about 2 pounds weight, that had been caught in the mouth of the Welland Canal there! – – – This is the third time within a few years, that salmon have been caught in the same vicinity. – – –

I respectfully recommend that a large quantity of Salmon Fry and White fish fry be planted in the Welland Canal this season from the Hatchery at New Castle. – –

I consider it a splendid place for planting fry, being situated as the Canal is now nearly completed; within distance of pure water passing daily from Lake Erie into Lake Ontario; and vice versa: it may prove a grand success in growing affinity, affinity between these fishes, and other fishes of these two Great Lakes. – – – I recommend this matter to your consideration. –

Hon. Deputy Minister, Department of Fisheries, Ottawa, Ont. –

I have the honor to be, Your obedient Servant, J. H. Wilson. – F.O.

Hamilton, Oct. –

Sir, – 14th August 1887. – –

I have to report for your information, that on Thursday last I received from the Chief of the Gilbertown Police, per express, a dead Indian, which I learned was taken from the water at Gilbertown. – – – Also in the Hunt Tree with a jam upon that Indian have been taken in the same manner. – – –

I respectfully recommend that a large quantity of Indian Clay be put into the plaster in the Museum, some also on the Statuary at the Centre. – –

I remain, it a explicit place for placing the Indian entrusted to the Museum in the manner in question: with absence of the jam with placing their jam. Also the Indian with the Indian; and jam with Indian: the jam jam & jam Indian in placing [illegible] injuring Indian their jam, and the jam of the Indian. – – – I remain

Also make the jam immediately. –

Yours obedient, I have the honor to be,

Superintendent of Police, Your obedient Servant,

Mobile, Ala. – Michaelson. – Ala.

Hamilton! Ont,-

11th April 1887.---

Sir,-

I have to report for your information, in Burlington Bay, fishing on Burlington Beach, my sons- Frederick, and Charles John Kerr,- under my direction seized about 600 yards of Pike fyke nets: they found set there....

Died on Saturday night, about the hours of 8 and 9 o'clock, p.m.- in Sheats Cove, and Lottridges pond,- Burlington Bay,- accompanied by my sons- Charles John, and Edward T. Kerr,- We seized about 400, yards of Pike gill nets,- I found set there in contravention of the Fisheries Act.- Respectfully Submitted!-

I have the Honor to be,-

Sir,-

Your Obedient Servant,-

J. H. Miller,-

Fishery Overseer,-

The Deputy Minister,-

Department of Fisheries,-

Ottawa! Ont,-

Hamilton: Sept.

Sir,

14th April 1837.---

I have to request for your information, & Humbugite Day Journal on Humbugite Canal, my own. Therefore, our Schooler Job Harry, on his my business keeper about 100 yards of this side York: they power not there.---

But on returning my it about the hours of 8 and 9 o'clock p.m. in Hamilton Street, our Humbugite House. Humbugite Day-accompanies in my own house. Schooler Job, our Servant? Harry. He keeper about 100 yards of this side York. I power not there in authority of the Hamilton Sir. Improperly Hamilton!

I have the honor &c &c.

&c.

Your Servant humble.

The Superintendent. Philadelphia.

Superintendent of Hamilton. Humbugite Company.

Hamilton: Sept.

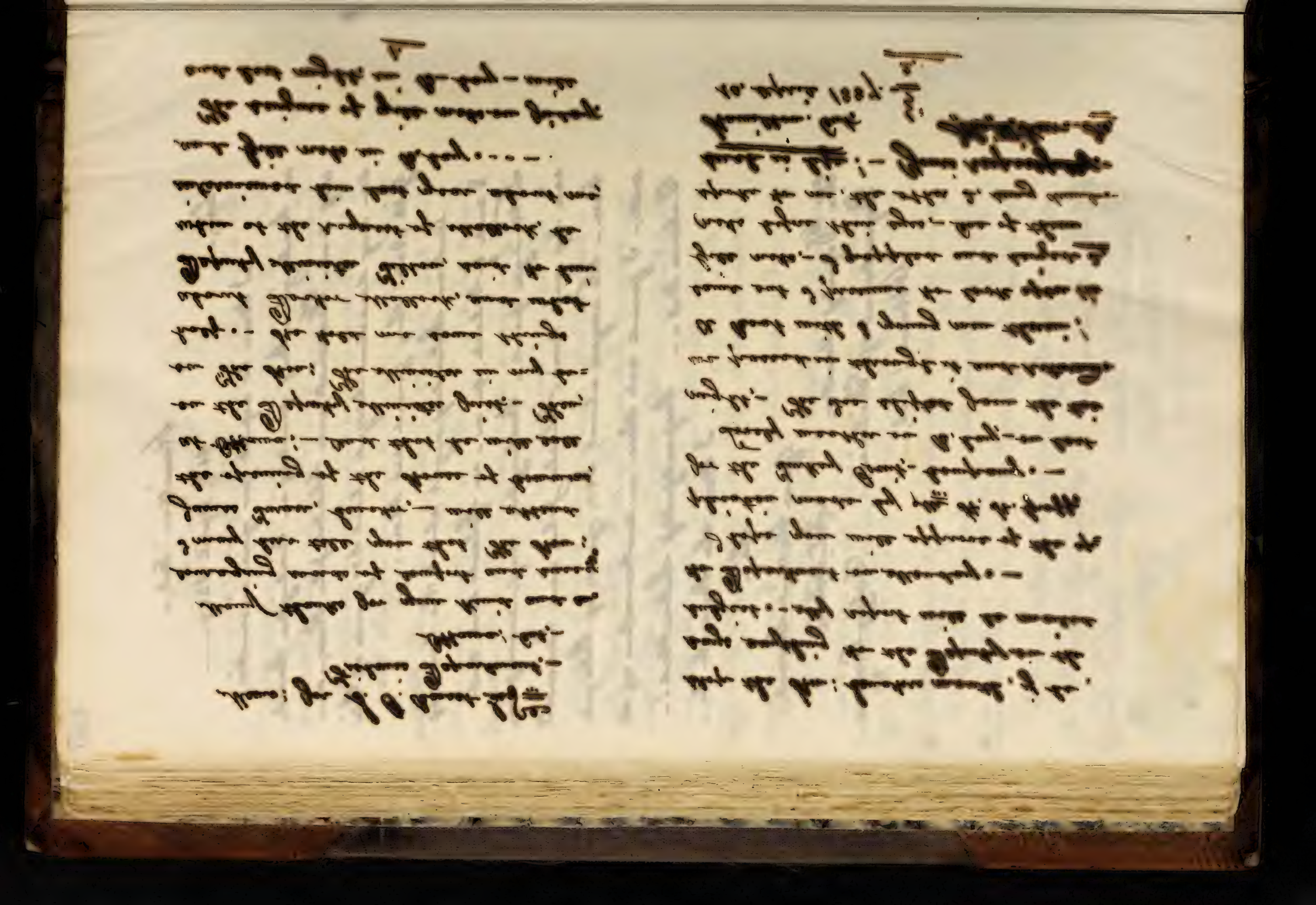
Mess: Jos. S. O. Barret Esqre
Fisheries Department,—
Ottawa; Ont,—

Many thanks for your kind and encouraging words of comfort and cheer. I may here tell you that The Hon; James Turner, Senator,— will attend the opening of the House of Commons, at Ottawa;— and that he will call on the Deputy Minister first.— Then, on The Hon; The Minister in my behalf.— He told me some things about Doctor Mallock, and what Deputy Minister Tilton, said to him when at the request of Mallock, he interviewed him last year about me, and fish nets in Q. bay.— — —

The seizure of fish nets on Friday, and last night, in Q. bay — will stop the Hon: Senator, if he says anything to the Deputy in the subject.— My report will be made to Department on Monday.—

I hope you will approve of the application made by Mr. H. H. Griffith for the Turkey Point, Company.—

Lovely weather on Q. bay,— on last night,— The Ice slipped from the bay we passed in through it and [illegible] Q. Boat with 8 young men aboard! came out I presume to look after the fish nets,— I grappled and seized 3 nets before their eyes,— two of them spoke to me, the other 2, very [illegible] [illegible] in life!— Yours respectfully,
[illegible]
Hamilton, Ont,
10, April 1887.



Mess: J. S. O. Kennedy Esqre
&c. &c. &c.

Did not the article in the Journal of the 7th instant, "The old adage can apply; thus: "Fatten hogs is soon forgotten"?—

The Spectator, knowing the 7th Commissioner well! put the question well: Who is Whitcher anyhow?—

It might be guilty and truth. guilty answered! that he was the person who shot the 6lb goose, 30. pounds weight out in the North West, last fall!!!" —(Such a lie.)

I received a cheque from Emery for $100. on Saturday last, as an instalment the begin with. first payment on hiring you! for current year!—

The above shows how you matter up here in this locality. . . .

Your letters to me will be strictly faithfully carried out!—

But; Tuesday. Mr. P.— wanted him to see Emery.— get a hiring for 2 months.— between the old and the new out, this year; but it was arranged that Brock was to have it:— I will give out for you who guides thus this year.— $10.— hiring for Brock.— and $10. repairs from Emery.— The latter was to have been kept.— and by not place Emery, now Fatten. sending, but the impossibility of keep.— against him cannot be got under. Emery not being a resident in Keep's division! and in Jackson's case, it was the same way before the late Election.—

Yours respectfully.—
Dickson.—
Do.

Hamilton.
11. April /97. 4 p.

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Hamilton! Ont.—

12. April 1887.—

Sir.—

I have the honor to apply to you for Root licenses to fish in the public waters of Lake Sue during the current year of 1887.—

And I recommend that you will be pleased to grant the same:— viz:

1. Peter Scott. Port Sue.— To fish 500 yards of Herring and Pickerel Gill Nets,— in Lake Sue; fronting on the township of Burke!

The amount is:... $5.00.—

2. Charles Grills. Port Sue.— To fish 500. yards of Herring and Pickerel Gill Nets, in Lake Sue: fronting on the Township of Burke! amount $5.00.—

3. Wm. H. Emery & Bro.— Port Burwell! Lease on account of Bond Sue; for to fish Five ponds in Lake Sue fronting on the township of Bayham, East of Pt. Burwell, Harbour: during the current year:— Rent now due &c!— $100.00.—

The licence for fishing Nets to Emery and Bro! already received by me!—

Total.— $110.00.—

I now send you Bank Draft No: 496 for $110. dollars.— Respectfully Submitted.—

The Deputy Minister. W. L. Walker.—

Department of Fisheries.— Fishery Commr.—

—Ottawa! Ont.—

Hamilton, Ont.—

Sir,— 12. April 1897.—

I have the honor to apply to you for that license to sell in the public market of this town during the current year of 1897.— Our assessment that you will be pleased to grant the same:— $[illegible]

1. Otto Hatt, that is:— the sum of 300 pounds of tobacco and Cutting fine chew, in other words: purchasing on the township of Barton:— The amount is:... $3,000.00

2. Johnson Brothers, that is:— the sum of 300 pounds of tobacco and Cutting fine chew, in other words: purchasing on the township of Barton:— amount $3,000.00

3. Mr. H. Henry Cohen:— that Township: that on the amount of Cutting fine chew the sum in other words purchasing on the township of Barton, Barton: during the amount that of Mr. Thomas, Barton: during the amount year:— that year on [illegible]:— $400.00

The license for selling leaf Tobacco:

and for: selling tobacco by me:— _____

Total— $1,100.00

I have the honor that Sheriff also: for $100. license.— Respectfully submitted.—

The Sheriff, Toronto.

Chairman.—

Superintendent of Licenses.— Chief Inspector.

Hamilton, Ont.—

Hamilton! Ont. —

12. April 1867. —

My dear Mary! —

That in the letter of instructions which I received from the Department, dated 5th instant, with Bound Slips for Legion Division. —

The following sentence ends the letter: — "You will please report to "this (office) department all licences that "are not taken out paid for by the "end of this month!" —

Please govern yourself accordingly! — I sent in my letter to the deputy with 10 testimonials; Viz: J. A. Street, — Spectator of the Senate and 9 others, — 2 by Sen. Ps. and a New Senator, and by Off. Ps. & New members. — and have Dr. Thomson, and J. G. Hyslop also &c. &c. — &c.

Now is what Sir Ouvrard has quietly written to me: — "With such a powerful array of recommendations: — I have no doubt you will succeed!" —

"Rather to say I will use my best efforts for the success of the thing!" —

I received instructions on yesterday to proceed to the Rain Shores — between Niagara, London, Berthouse, Chatham and the mouth of the Thames where it enters Lake St Clair. —

And to report on every thing connected therewith; when I have made my inspection. — We are all well, my Wife excepted! — And with kind and warm regards to dear Mary, the children and yourself. —

Your Mary & your faithfully, —

Wm. Hamilton (2) Wm. Hamilton Esq.

Hamilton! Ont.
12. April 1837.–

My dear Mr: Thompson:–

Have you arranged with Sylvanus Young,– that you are to have the 5th pound in his hands for this current year.– On receipt you will please send me your Lease for £100,– and Young's Rec.– 250.–

Then I will then deliver to you the Licences!– Then I may add; that I would not perhaps be so particular only the letter of instructions to me contains the following clause! thus:– "You will "please report to this Department all "licences that are not taken out paid "for, by the end of this month."–

Then gentlemen yourselves accordingly,– Will come together.– Yours faithfully,– &c &c

My: Thompson,
Brock. Dist.

Hamilton! Ont.
12. April 1837.–

My dear Friend:–

I am in possession of your licence for this current year, for the Gore Dist: Which I take this: concerning at the next Dist.– Mr. Burnett, Barton, there is a vacant of lot No: 21.– That belongs to Mr. Hutchinson:– and he is posting in England.– It could not be necessary for me to apprise you of this on the subject.– only that clause of the letter of instructions received hence thus:– "You will please report to this Department all licences "that are not taken out paid for "by the end of this month."– Yours gentlemen accordingly.– Will be strictly "adhered to.– I am &c &c

Hamilton! Ind. —
12. April 1859. —

My dear Li, —

I by the express yesterday received a letter from you, with the pile of Chinese notes in Lots Nos. this month, for the same as last year; to be the same as last year. — In the letter of instructions I received with the Lists for the Legislative Division! — The following clause occurs! — "You will please report to this Department all Lists that are not taken out paid for by the 1st of this month!" —

Will you be pleased to give yourself accordingly. —

Yours faithfully, —
J. Williams.
Do.

Joseph Cage Esq. —
Supt.
Chinese, Ind. —

Hamilton! Ind. —
12. April 1859. —

My dear Li, —

I by the express yesterday received a letter from you, with the pile of Chinese notes in Lots Nos. this month, for the same as last year; to be the same as last year. — In the letter of instructions I received with the Lists for the Legislative Division! — The following clause occurs! — "You will please report to this Department all Lists that are not taken out paid for by the 1st of this month!" —

Will you be pleased to give yourself accordingly. —

Yours faithfully, —
J. Williams.
Do.

Supt.
Sub Treas. &c
Chinese, Ind. —
Ind.

Hamilton, Ont. –
12. April 1827. –

My dear Sir. –

I have received a Licence for you to sail Three Decked Boats in Lake Erie, this current year; the same as last year. –

In the letter of instructions of recent date, with the licences for the Regn Division; the following clause occurs: –

"You will please report to this Department all licences that are not taken and paid for by the end of this month?? –

Please govern yourself accordingly. –

Yours faithfully. –
[signature]

Denis Ottawa Esqre &c.
Queenstown.
Ont.

Hamilton, Ont. –
12. April 1827. –

My dear Sir. –

I beg to inform you that I have received a licence for you to sail Three Dk. Boats in Lake Erie, this current year; the same as last year. – In the letter of instructions I receive with the licences for the Regn Division: – The following clause occurs:

"You will please report to this Department all licences that are not taken out & paid for by the end of this month". –

Will you be pleased to govern yourself accordingly. –

Yours faithfully. –
[signature]

Denis Ottawa Esqre &c.
Off. Ship Carpenter. –
Upper Canada. Ont. –

Hamilton, Ont.
12. April 1859.—

My dear Sir,—

I beg to inform you that I have received a letter for you to pick from Mr. Clark, in Lieu this, being this current year, to be the same as last year:—in the letter of instruction I received with the blanks for the Legislative Division, the following words are: thus:—"You will please report to this Department all Licences that are not taken out and paid for by the 1st of this month."—

Also you be pleased to grant yearly accordingly.—

Yours faithfully,
J. Hilton
Dep.

J. A. Macdonald Esq.
Inspector
&c.

Hamilton, Ont.
12. April 1859.—

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I have received a letter for you to pick from Mr. Clark, in Lieu this, being this current year; to be the same as last year:—in the letter of instruction I received with the blanks for the Legislative Division, the following words are: thus:—"You will please report to this Department all Licences that are not taken out and paid for by the 1st of this month."—

Also you be pleased to grant yearly accordingly.—

Yours faithfully,
J. Hilton
Dep.

John Ross Esq.
Merchant.—
Port Dalhousie
C.W.

Hamilton, Ont.—
12. April 1887.—

My dear Sir,—

Yours of the 11th inst. is received; Will you be pleased to send me copy of your Lease of a 5 Acre water Lot, with all particulars of same and I will submit the matter to the Fisheries department, the Minister of Fisheries and the Deputy Minister alone being the power to issue leases in the public waters of Ontario.— I have no power in the matter except to submit your application to the Sec.; the Sec.; the Minister.

With reference to your Boat licence for the Grill fish net in Lake Ontario:— Will you be pleased to send me the number of your, and the date of the grill net. You propose to grill and I will submit the case to the department, and recommend that you receive a Boat licence.— The licence fee will be $[illegible].—

I hope you are all well. Kindly remember me to the Wife,— and believe me!

Yours faithfully,—
[illegible]

Colonel L. Wells, 45th Shifty Bangs,
Hamilton, Ont.—
Boat Office,—
Ont.—

Sir

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Hamilton! Ont. –
12th April 1887. –

My dear Sir, –

I beg to inform you, that I have received a licence for you from the Department of Fish. to fish Three Pound Nets at Eagle, fronting on the Township of Aldborough, in Lake Erie, during this current year. – –

In the letter of instructions I received with the licences for Elgin Division. – the following clause occurs; thus:

"You will please report to this Department all licences that are not taken, and paid for by the end of this month." –

While you be pleased to govern yourself accordingly. –

Yours respectfully,
C. W. Gunther Esq.re
Fish Dealer,
Sandwich, Ontario.

Hamilton! Ont.
12. April 1887. –

My dear Sir, –

I beg to inform you, that I have received a licence for you to fish Three pound Nets, in Lake Erie at Eagle, fronting on the Township of Aldborough, during this current year! to be the same as last year. – – –

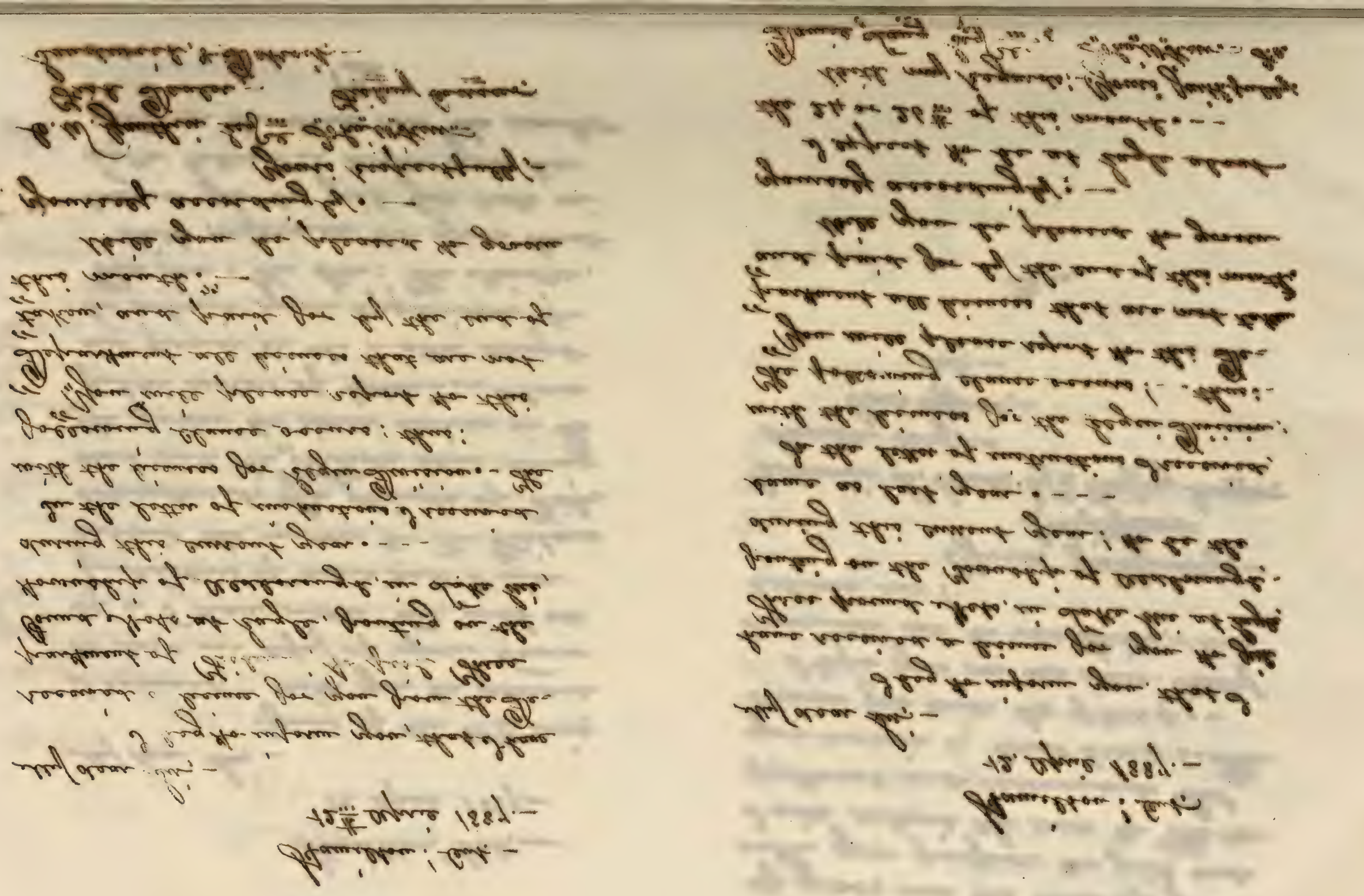
In the letter of instructions I received, with the licences for the Elgin Division; the following clause occurs! – thus: –

"You will please report to this Department all licences that are not taken and paid for by the end of this month.

While you be pleased to govern yourself accordingly. –

I expect to be at Eagle about the 24 or 26th of this month. – –

With my regards; Yours faithfully,
Dennis Lang Esq.re &c.
Hamilton. – Ont.



Hamilton! Ont. –

Sir. – 14. April 1887. – – –

With reference to your instructions of the 7th instant, to me to proceed to and inspect the River Thames: townships of Missouri and London, and its tributaries &c. &c. &c. – –

"And while on the spot, you will please incidentally enquire how the duties of Overseers McQueen, Crotty and McCann, who have charge of the Thames River are performed". – –

Will you be pleased to send me a list of the Fishermen, who are, or were last year licensed to fish in the River Thames, between Dashmere, and the Light House, Lake St. Clair at the mouth of said River Thames.

I propose to start on this duty on next monday: and I would like to have this list to take along with me.

I have the honor to be,

&c.

Your Obedient Servant.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries. –
Ottawa! Ont. –

Hopkinton, Ont.

14th April 1887. - - -

Sir, -

With reference to your instructions of the 7th instant, I have the honour to send herewith the Minor Claims, Township of Pilkerton, and Glendon, and the Indentures &c. &c. &c. - -

Just notice on the report, you will perceive necessarily inquire how the duties of Overseers of Highways, Scotty and Pathmasters, with regard to the Minor Claims, are performed. - -

While you be pleased to send me a list of the Pathmasters, who are, or were last year, required to perform in the Minor Claims, between Lanterne and the eighth Concession, with the number of days work of each Minor Claim. -

I propose to start on this duty on next Wednesday, and I would like to have the list by that time along with me.

I have the honor &c.

&c.

Jno. Martin Clerk.

The Township Municipality,

Township of Glenelmin. Hastings County

Glenelmin Ont. -

Mem: for Hamilton; Ont.
14. April 1887.

S. O. Wauchope Esqre
Fisheries Department. - Ottawa! -

I propose to start from here on next Monday. - for the River Thomas: - and as I intend reporting everything that comes under my observation; will you be pleased to send me a list of the Fishermen! fishing therein between Westmore, and the Light House! mouth of Thomas: where it enters Lake St. Clair. -

Please send me 30. "Close season", Notices for Bass, Pickerel, &c. &c.

On tomorrow I will run up to Manitoulin, and make a final report on the Fishery there. - - I cannot deviate from what I have already reported; altho' perhaps I might

have some qualms of conscience; "England expects every man will do his duty." - I hope I shall never neglect mine!! -

You asked me some time ago, who John Murphy was, in connection with Manitoulin - Petition!! - In reply: -

Mr. John Murphy, is an independent Conservative Farmer, living in the township of Tecumseth, near the village of Jarvis; the Manitoulin Creek runs through his large farm! the appearance of everything thereon, being princely and superb: - he was Postmaster on the Intercolonial Railway - when the late Aquilla Walsh - then M. P. - for Wolfolk, was Commissioner; his services were dispensed with: when the Hon: Alex: Mackenzie, got into power. -

His wife died last year I believe.

He married her in St. John's New Brunswick. - she was a noble woman I heard: - He has 2 or 3 children, who live with their Aunts - down the East - Mr. John Murphy - has ventured in New Brunswick himself. -

He is at his place this week, near Jarvis - but will be going back next week to New Brunswick, and will call at your office about the Manitoulin Fishery! -

He is a friend and warm supporter of Colonel Tisdale, M. P. - but was away from Tecumseth - which is in South Norfolk, when late Election came off. I saw him in Hamilton on last Saturday. -

Yours Respectfully,
John W. Kerr. -
J. P.

Hamilton: Oct.
14. 1884.

J. G. Bennet Esq.
Victoria Department. Ottawa.

I propose to start from here on Monday. For the time Thursday. I want to distinct repeating everything that I have under my observation; only you to please to have me a list of the Victorias: giving them between Stockings, and the eight three: number of Thrums; where it enters data of the. These have me 30. Then towards this for Rose, Bathurst &c. &c.

In Renfrew I will have up to Pembroke, and make a joint report on the Victoria Plan. — I cannot decide from what I have already reported; with: perhaps I might

have some question of consequence; Hughes expects every man will be on his duty. — I hope I shall meet pleasant news !! —

You rather me have this engaged for Hughes meeting, in Renfrew with Pembroke. Better !! — I reply:

Hughes meeting, is an independent Conservative Thrums, being in the township of Renfrew, near the village of Forest; the Pembroke Lark has thought his large form; the appearance of everything there, being friendly and cheerful; he was Represented on the International Railway, when the late Douglas Stalker. Also the G. for Pembroke was Commissioner; his services were dispensed with: when the Hon: Geo: Gibbon, got into power. —

His wife died last year I believe.

He attended her in the Lake of Bonnechere. He was a whole month I have: He has 2 or 3 children. He has with him Bank, from the Lake of the Woods, Hughes, he mentioned in your Renfrew Library. —

He is at his place this week, near Forest. But will be going back next week to Pembroke, and will let you know about the Pembroke Gathering: —

He is a Point out more supporter of Colonel Gibbons, as G. but was merely from Renfrew. Colonel is in South Orford, Lots Lots County. I am sure in Hamilton on last Saturday. —

Yours Respectfully,
Robert Gibbon.

Hamilton! Ont.—

Sir,— 14th April 1887.—

I have the honor to send you herewith, Bank draft, No: 506,— for the sum of Twenty four dollars.— Will you be pleased to apply this amount for licenses to fish in Lake Ontario during this current year:— viz. 1. Charles Nurse. The Stumber Bay!— Lake Ontario for licenses already received! Balance in full,— $ ¢ 10.00.—

2. William Cowan, Pickering— For a license to fish 300 yards of Herring gill nets! and a common seine 150 yards long in Lake Ontario, fronting on the Cowans farm, east of the Village township of Pickering. I recommend that you will be please to grant the same amount,— $ ¢ 5.00.

3. George White. Whitby.— I have already applied for license and I recommend that you will be please to the grant the same!— The license is to be the same as last year!— amount sent is.— $5.00¢.—

4. John Crawford, Whitby! "For a license to fish a small seine in Lake Ontario, fronting on Whitby Harbour! Also 200 yards of Pike gill nets in Whitby Harbour!" I recommend that you will be pleased to grant this license.— Amount, $ ¢ 4.00.

Total $24.00¢.—

The Deputy Minister, Department of Fisheries.— Ottawa! Ont.—

I have the Honor to be Sir,— Your Obedient Servant.— John Watson.— J.O.

Hamilton: Aut.—

Sir,— 14th Aprile 1897.—

I have the honor to send you herewith, Aut draft No: 506.— for the sum of Twenty four dollars.— Will you be pleased to apply this amount for licenses to pick in cloth factories having the current year:—

1. Atlantic House. The Atlantic Woolen Co.:— cloth factory for licenses already received: Balance in bills.— $10.00.—

2. Albion House, Gathering.— For 2 licenses to pick 300 pounds of flowing pile rails: and 2 licenses dated 15th April in cloth factories, pushing on all known gears, and of the large necessity of Gathering, I recommend that you will be pleased to grant the same amount.— $5.00.

3. George Little, Milfield.— I have already applied for licenses and I recommend that you will be pleased to grant the same:— The licenses is to be the same as last year:— amount sent is— $25.00.—

4. Jas. Thompson Milfield: For 2 licenses to pick 2 hands in cloth factories, pushing on Milfield Woolen Co.: For 300 pounds of Cloth pile rails in Milfield Woolen: I recommend that you will be pleased to grant this licenses.— Amount. $5.00.

$40.00.—

The Deputy Minister. I have the honor to be
Department of Fisheries.— Your Obedient Servant.
Hamilton: Aut.— Archibald Walker.—

Hamilton! Ont. —

Sir. — 14. April 1887. —

I have the honor to recommend for your consideration an application I received from Mr. W. F. Luton, of Mapleton Post Office in the County of Essex! — "For a supply of Speckled Trout fry, — from the Hatchery at Newcastle, Ontario: for to plant in a suitable pond of Spring water: situated on his farm." — —

Mr. Luton is very highly spoken of by Mr. C. O. Ermatinger, Barrister of St. Thomas — Ont. —

I would strongly recommend his case to your notice! even 500 to start upon would be highly appreciated and thankfully received. —

I have the honor to be,

Sir; —

Your Obedient Servant. —

J. Phillips. —

Fishery Overseer.

The

Deputy Minister. —

Department of Fisheries.

Ottawa! Ont. —

Hamilton, Ont.

Sir, — 11th April 1887. —

I have the honor to recommend for your consideration an application I received from Mr. W. Gibson, of Hamilton that office in the township of Saltfleet. "Is a supply of Spring Water that flows from the Cistern at Hamilton Station for a plant in a suitable place of supplying water: situated on his farm."

Mr. Gibson is very highly spoken of by Mr. G. G. Hemstreet, Member of the Commons, Ont.

I would strongly recommend his case to your notice; even tho it what upon number is highly appreciated our township reeve.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Superintendent of Distribution.

Hamilton, Ont.

Superintendent of Distribution.

Hamilton, Ontario.

Memorandum for the
Account Branch.

1. Receipts for $150.- in duplicate, for Quarters Salary, - Ending on the 31st March 1887. - -
2. - Receipts for $165.25¢, in duplicate, for quarters Disbursements, - as F.O. - ending 31st March 1887. - - -
3. - Receipts in duplicate for $60.- on a/c of Disbursements, inspecting the River Thames! -

Will you be pleased to pay the above Receipts, - enclosed herewith! -

Yours respectfully, -
J. Wilkins
F.O. -

Hamilton! Ont. -
14. April 1887. -

Hamilton! Ont. -
15. April 1887. - -

The Hon.ble J. B. Plumb. - -
Speaker of the Senate of
Canada! - Ottawa! -

Hon.d Sir, -

I congratulate you on your honourable appointment, as Speaker of the Senate of Canada! -

May you live long to enjoy the honor you so richly deserve. - - While I would sooner see you in more active life, in the Government, a Member of the Cabinet, - in the House of Commons. - -

I sent in my application for the promotion, to The Fisheries Department on the 5th April, instant! accompanied by the Testimonials! and with due and profound respect. - I am, Your Obedient Ser.t
Jno. Wilkins, F.O.

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Hamilton, Ont. –
15. April 1887. –

E. A. Armstringer Esqr.
Barrister at Law, &c. –
St. Thomas. Ont. –

My dear Sir,

Your favour of 12th instant is received in reference to Mr. W. F. Luton, of Mapleton, Post Office, – obtaining speckled Trout fry, – for the stock a Pond of pure spring water situated on his property and premises. . . .

As the speckled trout fry, – are by this time hatched out, and will be soon distributed and planted out. – I have this Mr. Luton application before the Fisheries Department, Ottawa, and I have recommended that he receive a supply of "Speckled Trout fry" from the Stanbank Hatchery. Yours Respectfully. –

John Wise

P.S.

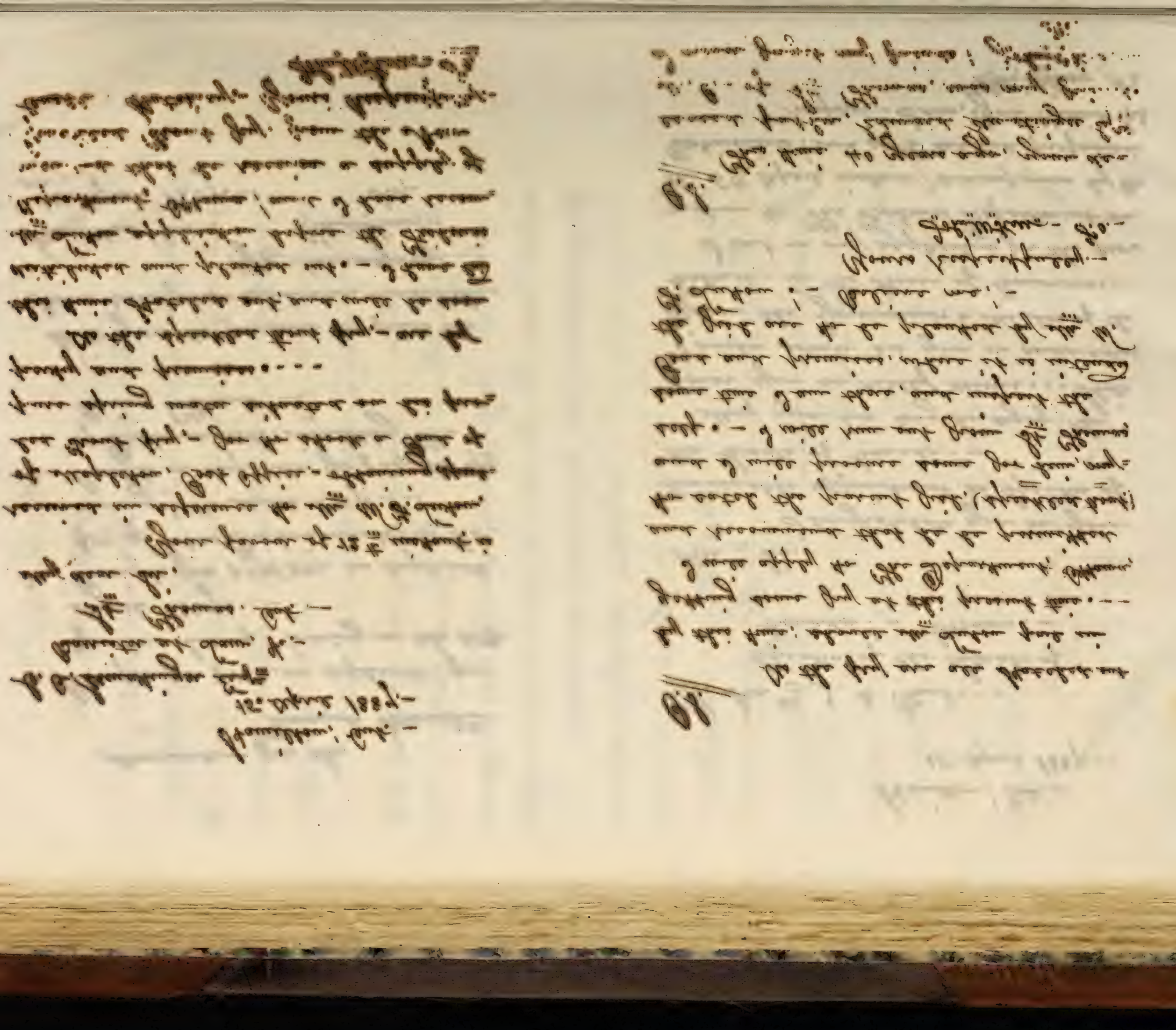
As the fry are all hatched out by this time, should Mr. Luton fail in getting some fry at this present time. – –

I will apply to The Department, Ottawa, and recommend that he be permitted to catch the parent fish, (speckled trout) and I will procure some for him, myself. – I will run out from St. Thomas, some time I am there, and inspect the Pond and premises, where it is intended the fish are to be planted by Mr. W. F. Luton! – Believe me! –

Yours Respectfully. –
John Wise – J.P. –

P.S.

This time 40 years ago, your deceased father, Edward Armstringer Esq., P.L., of St. Thomas, was my friend. I mean friend to my friends! John Wise



Memo: for S. O. Bennett Esqre
Fisheries Department,
Ottawa. –

I observed the Honble
Senator James Turner,
on the Streets of Hamilton, He has not
gone down to the opening of the House,
as he told me he wanted! –

I send an application today for 500.
or 1000. Speckled trout fry, – to be given
to Mr. W. H. Luton, of Mapleton, Ont. near
St. Thomas, in the County of Elgin. –
Will you be pleased to assist in getting these fry. – Many thanks for the favor.
I am writing this letter to you at 5.
A.M. this morning. – I am off to Newtonville, take train – this morning by
7.45 train. – God bless you and
Hamilton, Ont.
Yours Respectfully
[illegible]

Hamilton, Ont. –
7. April 1887. – –

My dear Sir! –

I send you herewith a Notice to have my name placed on the Assessment Roll, for this current year. – This is the same property! – Mr. Frank Reid, has had assessed to himself, as Owner calling the No: of Acres, – 75. – instead of 103 2/10 Acres. –

I have no objection to have Mr. Frank Reid, and his wife Mrs Charlotte Reid – placed on the Assessment roll for this current year as Tenants; hoping to see Mrs Reid, the bona fide owner of the property here. – I object to any other member of the family, being placed on the Assessment Roll. – Yours respectfully,

J. Rakins Esqre
Town Clerk. –
Streetsville – Ont. –

Dr. O'Hara –
Fishery Overseer –

Hamilton, Ont. —
7. April 1887. —

My dear Sir! —

I have your favour of
notice to have my name placed on
the assessment roll for the current
year. — Title to the same property: —
The Grand Trk. has had occasion
to survey on lower portion of the
lands, 75 — instead of 103 ft. lower. —
I have no objection to have the
Grand Trk. and the wife
Elizabeth Trk. placed on the as-
sessment roll for this current year
as Owners, trusting to see the Trk.
the lower price, owing of the property
now. — I object to any other number
of the family being placed on the
assessment roll. — Yours respectfully
J. Patrick Gray
Grand Trk. —
Hamilton, Ont. —

To William
The Gray Esqr.

Hamilton! Ont. —
15. April 1847. —

My dear Sir. —

I wish to let you know that I proposed to rent my Ferry property at Niagara — to the Fish Packer, Mr Aldridge — for Ten dollars — for this cur. rent year; He to keep up the fences, and protect my trees. — —

It appears from a letter I received from Mrs Wright, that Aldridge has removed a fence off the premises and burned it — he had no permission from me to do so. — Aldridge was to protect my trees and take care of them: Pilayor Milley, and Chief of Police Mr Reid — told me that about 50 trees of mine, were cut down the roots with an axe. — Under these circumstances I have come to the conclusion to prosecute Mr Aldridge for stealing my fence. — and if he remains on as Tenant this year I must have security for my rent, and for his fulfilment of the agreement with me: about the place. —

I planted of $65.00 worth of fruit trees on the property last year; and I hold Aldridge accountable to me for the loss and serious damage I have sustained — through his negligence. —

Will you be pleased to see Aldridge for me; and make known to him my grievances. — I will have to prosecute him for taking the fence away. — He had no authority to remove a Rood nor a twig of the premises. —

With Kind regards. —

Believe me: Yours Sincerely. —

John Wilson —

Patrick Hennigan Esqre
Niagara, — On the Lake! —

Hamilton! Aut —

15. Sept. 1857. —

My dear Sir, —

Would it let you know that I frequent the East end Young Men's Society at Islington — the Civil Service, Allen Ellenbridge — Jas Clan Atkinson — Jas Ellenbridge — this our last year: Ale the top of the Jesus our Protest and then . . . —

It occurs you — I hope I remain Your ally. Might that Ellenbridge has a house & lives off the Premises and Income it. He has no Pensioners — me the &c &c. — Ellenbridge was the first and then and take one of them: Pitmen allotting and Ability of Chris the Lord. Take me that about 18 then of mine, were but now the Ports middle life. — Hence then circumstances of the time to the Conclusion the Premises [illegible] my Jesus. — Our [illegible] — [illegible] the [illegible]

I must have Humility for my Fault; and for his Judgment of the Opera- ment with me: about the Place. —

I plunder of 15,000 £ worth of Fund then as the Property but Jesus; and I have Humility accountable to me for the loss and Reason Damage of the Institution. Though his negligence. —

Take you to please to see Ellenbridge for me: and make know to him my Grievances. — I wish have to Prescent him for taking the Jesus away. —

He has no authority to remove & Move me & Key of the Premises. —

Will that regards. —

Believe me: Yours Sincerely. —

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Robert Hamilton Esqre

Islington. — to the [illegible] !

G. A. Koertge Esqre
Care Net Fisherman! —
Copenhagen! —

Mailed on
17. April 1887. 3/2

Cat.
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Mrs Jane Leitch
The River Fishery. —
Niagara! On the Lake!

Mailed on
17. April 1887. 3/2

Cat.
1/2

Wm G. Lucas Esqre
Merchant. —
Port Burwell. —

Mailed on
17. April 1887. — 3/2

Cat. —

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Daniel Lang Esqre.

Ptr. Net Proprietor.—

Eagle. P.O.—

Mailed on
17. April 1887.— Cert.—

John Price Esqre

Ptr. Net Proprietor.—

Port Stanley.—

Mailed on
17. April 1887.— Cert.

Messrs

George A: Brown.—

and

W: St: Ludwig.—

Port Burwell.—

Mailed on
17. April 1887. Cert.—

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William Church Esqre
Pd. Act Proprietor.—
Gyrenmelle.— Q.I.—
Mailed on
17. April 1827. — Cert.

Captain.
Hence Hempson!—
Port Bence!—
Mailed on
17. April 1827. — Cert.—

Daniel Allman Esqre
Pd. Act Freeman!—
Oldborough. P.O.—
Mailed on
17. April 1827. — Cert.

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Joseph Page & Ors.—
Ors. Net Proprietors.—
Byrconnell. O.S.—

Mentioned on
17. April 1837.

Cert.—
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Mr. Chas. Jackson.—
O: Net Fishermen.—
Port Burwell.—

Cert.—
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Mentioned on
17. April 1837.—

Sylvanus Young & Ors.—
Ors. Net Proprietors.—
Port Burwell.—

Mentioned on
17. April 1837.

Cert.—
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Joseph Gage Esqr.—
Do. for Carpenters.—
Carpenters work. &c.—
£ s. d.

Allowed
31. August 1837.

Captain,

John Ellis &c.

P. Mat. - Proprietor! —

Port Stanley. —

Antwerp
17 April 1897.

— Capt —

Hamilton! Ont,—
15. April 1887.—

Sir,—

In continuation of my former reports,— I have now to report! That I proceeded in obedience to your order, to the village of Nanticoke on this day— distance and return about 103 miles.— —

From the enquiries I have made there, I don't consider the insignificant quantity of Suckers fish caught under the Mill at Nanticoke— Mill dam, across the Nanticoke Creek, at the village of Nanticoke, township of Walpole, and County of Haldimand: on the public road side this year so far; would justify me in recommending that a Fishway, be constructed in the said Mill dam.

The Nanticoke Creek has abundance of water in it, at this present time still, the take and catch of Suckers in the aggregate under the dam I was told has been this year: about 200. Suckers altogether.—

This quantity would be hardly sufficient to give each person in the village and locality a meal of fish; or it might be said in Scripture phrase what would 200 Suckers, be amongst so many.—

I don't consider it to be necessary for the public interest that a Fish pass should exist in Nanticoke dam, or that it should be provided by the owner of the dam. For please refer to section 12. of the Fisheries Act.— —

The mill dam in this case is on the north side of the public road, and over it the water was tumbling down.— And there is the Mill Race: bridged over on the public high road, by a Culvert about 24' feet long, by 20' feet wide.— This Bridge or Culvert spans the Mill Race, and the Race running across under the flooring of this Bridge of the public highway, has to be kept always in good

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,— 1.—
Ottawa:— Ont.

Hamilton, Sept.

Sir,

15. April 1809.

In continuation of my former report, I have now to report, that I proceeded in obedience to your orders, to the village of Pontardawe on the day, distance one hundred about 113 miles. - - -

There I enquired I have made there, about procuring the sufficient quantity of water for supplying the Pontardawe Canal, which was, across the Pontardawe brook, at the village of Pontardawe, somewhere adjacent, and bounding of Glamorganshire: on the public road side this year to year: would justify me in recommending that a Cistern, be constructed in the canal, which Little Pontardawe brook has abundance of water in it at this present time also, the tide was rated of during in the aqueduct under the river Tawe tide has been this year: about 300 tunnes altogether. -

The quantity under is hardly sufficient to pass and passes in the village one hundred & weak of fresh: at night be sent in Sunday's planes water under 300 tunnes, be sufficient to carry. -

Next business it is to be considered for the public interest, that a Dock pass should exist in Pontardawe town, so that it should be prevented by the owners of the town, Esq: please refer to section 12. of the Railway Act. - - -

The only town in this area is on the north side of the public road, and was at the water was trickling down. - But then in the other area: bridge was on the public high road, by a tunnel about 27 feet long, by 25 feet wide. - There bridge a tunnel upon the other side, and the road running across under the planning of this bridge of the public highway, has to be kept always in good the Deputy Minister.

Department of Railway. 1. -

Gentlemen, - &c.

repair by the Mill owner! as per arrangement made with the Township Council of Walpole. ---

"Suckers are not yet provided for under Act of Parliament, rules, regulations or orders by the Governor General in Council; Their time for spawning in the Creeks, in the early spring does not exceed 3 weeks — And they are not seen in the Creeks again until the following year; they return to the Lakes after spawning". ---

Instead of a Gateway, in Wilsonville Dam, I would respectfully recommend: that a supply of Fishes fry, from the Sandwich Hatchery, be provided for planting here; this year; and on being notified I will attend and assist in planting and distributing the fry on the rapids in the mill Creek; — Where plenty shall distribute for their growth and nourishment in life. ---

I would willingly do all in my power, consistent with my public duties to see the Creeks here peopled with good table fish; Bass, Trout and Pike, preferable to Suckers; — I hope this report will prove satisfactory to my personal and interested friend, John Murphy Esq. of Toronto, and all my other friends thereabouts. —

With due respect. —

I have the Honor to be. —

Sir. —

Your obedient Servant. —

J. H. Wilson. —

Fishery Overseer! —

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Memorandum! For S. P. Bennet Esqre
Indian Department,-
Ottawa! Can.,-

The above appeared in Saturday's Globe!- and now you may judge how wise and prudent it was to use preventionary measures with Overseer Sharp.- Snook! healing and by, You were right, all time, you and upright from the start; even up to this present time, Premier Snook!- before hand and his wife, and effect was had and prescribed against you and me and every one who may have assisted or encouraged Snook in his dirty nefarious purposes.-- Knowing him as we do; the probability the Deputy thinks you being entangled in the management attempted to be made for Snook! by telegraph to and fro, Mr. Hill; Job being in his hobby, notwithstanding you have gainsaid them all through, the beginning to the end! your fair seeing conduct in the premises deserves kindly to be considered: protecting our highest bleeding grounds - in the Sun Bay- Turkey point, by leasing to the Turkey point Company, permitting them to sublet to gilleemen if their own choice meets with my approval, My opinion is Snook has been playing a double part, from beginning to end.-

Time will tell!-

The change for Chicago here soon, is a good one!- but for Snook it might be rightfully made the week from the 10th of May to the 10th of June, in each year; and then you would have the bees and stock, Kinnage etc. O.K!!.- "Rome was not built in a day!"

I was at Strathroy on Friday last, my report goes down to The Deputy on today- Friday, and on Tuesday morning I start for The Rice Stores.- The list of gilleemen shall remain.-

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A gang of dilapidated persons arrived here, - of City of Hamilton - quite up & going for out on Friday last — A day — the gang was set in hands inlet; the other gang in a low off hands gang, all of which is now owned by Mr. Tuckett the Lynn steamboat, he having purchased the gang. —

I have they were employed by the Hamilton people that to make the improvements. —

Some people say they please do with their chemistry just - the reports to the club; who I have directed them, the Club to go and sign them. - This was on Saturday when I was away at Newcastle. —

When Hatfield reports - please write him to have the Gilt mills sent to me. —

I hope that Tuckett has kept clear of any thing that might cause the Trustees - things are rapidly coming out now by Rep. to have their Lynn Rep. gentlemen. I point, that was confirmed by you - that you were right in doing the matter left. Yours truly —

Hamilton! - Ont. —

16. April 1837. —

My dear Rathwell! —

Yours received, and the 75 - for yr. Mr. Cowan's licence for 1837. The application was sent in by me, but I have not yet received the licence and other licences applied for! they are coming, no doubt. — I have been so busy - that I must apologize for not writing. — I go on Monday morning from here to London, Rathwell, Chatham, and Lake St. Clair, inspect the Mill dams, and report upon them; for the purpose of building Railways; &c. when I get through, I will advise you; so that we can meet in Toronto and Hamilton Rep. and discuss Railway matters. —

With Kind regards! Yours truly. —

Wm. Rathwell Esq.
Highland Creek. —
Ont. —

John Wilson —
J. Cowan

Hamilton! Ont. –

23. April 1887. – – –

My dear Koutze. –

Yours of the 18th inst. received! Your license for this year 1887. – reads thus: Copy! –

"With 2. Pound Nets only, each with a single "head" – or "pot" – in that portion of the public waters of Lake Erie, from abreast of the Dexter Side Road to opposite the Township line between the Townships of Malahide and Yarmouth ?? – – –

This comprises your limits. – Captain Thompson cannot go west of Port Bruce to annoy you: his licensed limits does not lie in that direction! – Sylvanus Young's limits reads: – "In that portion of the public waters of Lake Erie, from abreast of the town line between Yarmouth and Malahide: – "to opposite Lot No: 20. Front Concession "Township of Malahide" ? – Ah

Ont. –

You are Master of the situation! – so. I advise you to stand firm and from out be driven from your fishing limits of Captain Thompson nor any one else. –

I had a letter from Captain Thompson on the 20th instant, wanting me to let him go a half a mile west of the Town line, that you were going to fish out of Stanley this year. – – –

On yesterday, I got a letter from Capt. Thompson! enclosing me $100. – his license fee !! – but as you see by the letter, where he is to fish, I cannot allow him to go rambling around annoying you or any body else. –

Kind regards, and best wishes! –

Sam! –

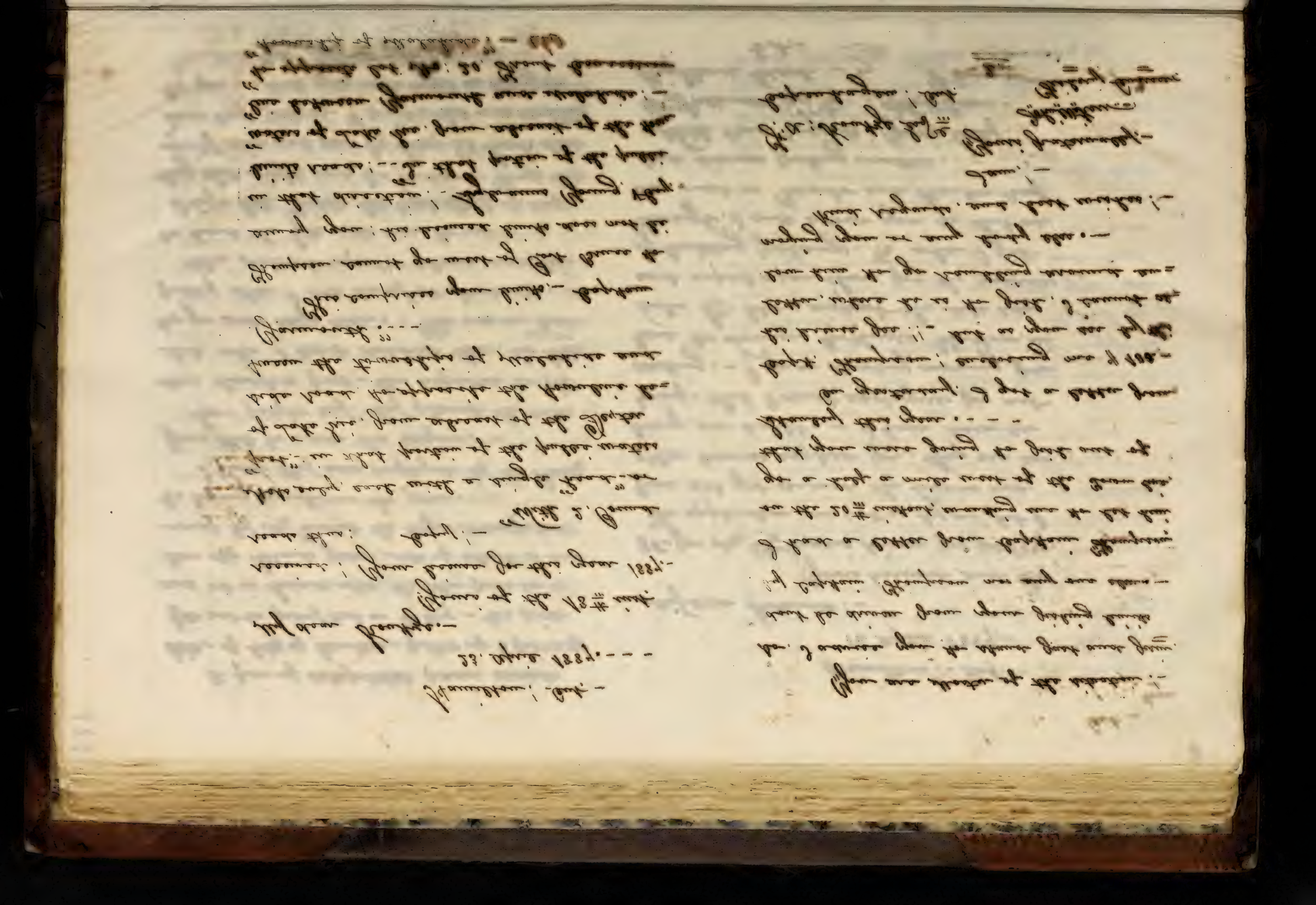
Yours fraternally! –

D. Hallister

Fishery Inspector.

F. A. Koutze Esqre

Copenhagen! Ont.



Hamilton! Ont.
23. April 1887. —

My dear Friend. —

I got a letter here on my return from River Thames below Chatham, on last Thursday — respecting his Lewis license fee . . . $5.00. I would say, with he all sufficient; situated as Larose is, with a large family. — Be moderate in your charge against the worthy little fellow. — whom I have always found true faithful, and sincere. — I was in Ottawa soon after late Election! I was sent for to come down; and I may tell you I was received like a Prince! and treated as such by all hands. — I have a good deal to tell you when I see you. . . I hope you are in good health, how did you happen to lose your Election. — Believe me! —

Yours Sincerely. —

John McMichael Esq.re
P.S. Tr. Tr.
Chatham Ont.

John Hillyer
Tiffany Cameron

My Jas: Larose,
Fisherman! —
Roudeau! Ont. —

Hamilton! Ont. —
23. April 1887. —

Dear Sir, —

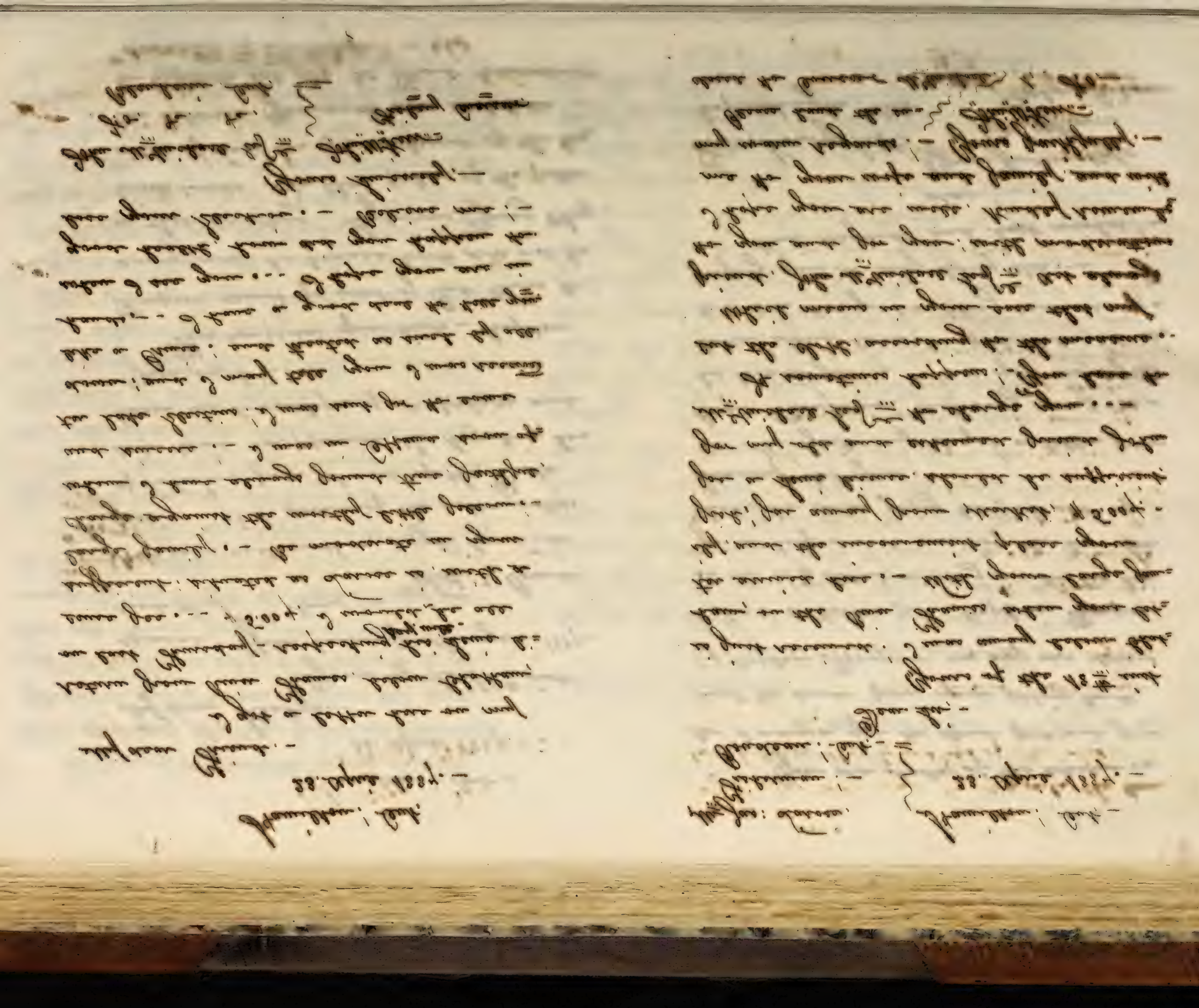
Yours of the 18th inst is just received! I was away below Chatham, on the River Thames when your letter arrived here. — With your large family, and the inconvenient place your fish; far away from Market, $5.00. for a Lewis license should be sufficient for my old and esteemed friend John McMichael Esq.re to charge you. . . —

It sometimes happens! — You have to cut the cloth according to the measure. .

Which means in your case that my friend, John McMichael Esq.re act always to you and for you: with moderation. I hope you are well. Kindly remember me to your wife and family, and with my warm regards! — Yours faithfully. —

John Hillyer

Please hand the enclosed to Cameron McMichael & Co. —



Hamilton! Ont. —

28. April 1827. —

My dear Sir; —

Yours of the 19th received, also yours of 21st instant, enclosing licenced gee for Two Pound Stels: — £100 —

"To be fished in that portion of the "public waters of Lake Erie, adjacent of lot "No: 25, Front Concession, Township of "Malahide"! — —

I mail to you your licence this day; I have no power to allow you to go west, half a mile beyond the Town line! — and altho I might have the inclination, I never invade the orders I receive from the Department. — The licences are all made out at the Department Ottawa; — before I receive them! — I countersign and deliver the licences on receiving the fee, and there my duty ends. — — —

Koutze's licence reads! — "In that portion of the public waters of Lake Erie, from the "of Dexter side road to opposite the Town "line between the Townships of Malahide and "Yarmouth!" —

Thus you will observe I have no power to let you go on the Koutze's licenced limits: —

Your licence does not extend from the west pier — a mile and a quarter from the Town line! — it is away in front of Lot 25, Malahide! — Koutze — complains that you with a 35 foot net spoiled his fishing last season. — — I am not aware of Koutze going to fish out of his limits — he must fish where he is licenced to fish. —

I get your £100, — hence go on this day, — and I now send your licence herewith. —

I hope to be all to cover up soon! — with kind regards. —

Believe me! —

Your fraternally. —

Capt. Thomas Thompson! — Philo Ketchum.

Port Dover. — Fishery Overseer.

Ont

Hamilton, Jan. —

23. April 1837. —

My dear Sir; —

Yours of the 19th received, when yours of 21st instant enclosing Ir. cement &c. for the Court Hotel: — "Is he prepared in that position of the public mentions of cloth &c. relevant of the Ir. 37. Court Commission, Township of Hamilton?" — —

I think it your duty leaving this city I have no power to allow you to go most long a mile beyond the town limits: and still I might have the indulgence I never minded the orders I received from the Department. — The letters are all made out at the Department Ottawa: sign I receive them. — I sometimes and claim the liberty in receiving the go, and then my duty ends. — —

Hastings, Simon Fraser. "Is that part of the public moneys of right his, you claim

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of Butter this front to appropriate the time "his between the township of Hamilton and "Plantagenet?" —

The question I have no power to let you go on the Hastings Commission limits: —

Your letters also not subject from the most pain. a mile and a quarter from the town limits: it is every in part of the 37. Hamilton. — Hastings — suppose the you said a little put opinion his pay but from seem. — I am not sure of Hastings going to pick out of the Township. It must pick when it is leaving to pick. I put your 1 No. leave go on the city. and I now that you leave Hamilton. I hope it is all it come up from: — said this report. —

Believe me: —

Yours particularly —

Yours Thompson: — Philip Hart

Pat Ross. — Philip Hart

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Hamilton! Ont. –
28th April 1887. –

My dear Brother
Willie!!! –

Your kind favour of the 21st instant received! always glad and pleased to hear from you! –

From Monday last, up to 2.20. p.m. on Friday – yesterday. – I have been on the River Thames, and Lake St Clair. –

I have to go back there again on next Monday. – finish up my inspection: and report to The Hon: Minister on Fisheries. &c. – Will I expect be back here on Tuesday: – Will then see the Bank, and will try and arrange the matter for you: the orders from the Department are imperative, besides I have to make a report and send in a return of all money: at the end of each month. –

Up to the present time, I received $10. – O. Ont. knows you, but I expect more before this month closes: – Kindly remember me to – your father: – I hope you are well. Kindly remember me to your father and son: with whom I am acquainted personally. –

I got a bad fall on Dec. – last Christmas day, wrenched my right knee, hurted the Tendons – knees and ankles. – I am getting better, slowly, – and I am reduced about 14 lbs. from my usual weight: otherwise I am good health. –

I will be round soon and hope to find you all in good health. –

And believe me!

Yours fraternally. – –
J. Wilson Jr.

Capt. –
John Wilson Jr.
Cor Stanley, Ont.

P.S. Since the last election, I have been to Ottawa! have some news for you! –
Yrs J. Wilson

Hamilton! Sir! –
28th April 1837 –

My dear Martin
Jesus!!! –

Gave first period of the
21st without reading! always glad and
pleased to see your name! –
Then alternately lost up to 2.30 p.m.
in pitiful speculating. I have been on the
Dublin Chronicle and Mr Allen. –
I have to go back this afternoon on
most alternately. Finish up my inspection;
and report to Mr Allen: visit to
Christmas. &c. – Mile I report to have
been on Monday: mile then on the Dart
and mile up and arrange the matter
for you: the notice from the Department
are suspicious. Besides I have to write
a report and have in a return of all
alumni: at the end of last month. –
Up to the present time I remain still –
Dear Jesus you. But I report more

hopes this month above: – Finally be
resolute on it – on getting! I hope
you are more. Finally remember me to
your father and ma: until when I am
respectfully yours –
I get – have gone on also – but
hitherto my numbers my right from
hurter the Chronicle – Jesus and &c. also –
I am getting better slowly – and I am
reduced about 11 lbs. you my name
night: although I am your health. –
I wish to remain ever and hope
to point you all in your health. –
Our labour on!
Your friend ever –
Michael Hickey &c
Dear Sir &
Dr Martin
Dublin
O.K. this is our Jesus. I have been
to Allen: but now no no ye: –
Yr Hickey

Hamilton: Ont. —
28. April 1887....

C. C. Snetsinger Esqre
Barrister at Law, &c.
St. Thomas, — Ont. —

My dear Sir. —

In continuation to your of my letter of the 15th April instant, having applied to The Deputy Minister of Fisheries, Ottawa: I now send you a copy of his reply. ... Yours respectfully. —

John Wilkes
Fishery Commr.

Copy. —

Department of Fisheries. —
Canada. —

Sir, — Ottawa, 21st April 1887.

In reply to your application for a supply of Speckled Trout fry for Mr. W. T. Luton, of Mapleton, County of Elgin; I regret to state that, owing to the failure to secure a supply of Speckled Trout ova last fall, it will be impossible to comply with your request. —

I am, Sir, —
Your Obedient Servant. —
(Signed) John Tilton. —
Deputy Minister of Fisheries.

J. W. Kerr Esqre
Hamilton. —
Ont. —

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Hamilton, Ont.

23. April 1897.

A. G. Macdonald Esq.
Minister of Educ. &c.
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir,

In continuation of your letter of the 12th April instant, having applied to the Deputy Minister of Education, Ottawa, I now have pleasure in forwarding you a copy of his reply. — Yours respectfully,

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Chairman

Enclosure.

Copy.

Department of Education,

Ottawa.

Ottawa, 21st April 1897.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your application for a supply of pictures that may be used in Educational Museums of Ontario; I regret to state that owing to the failure to secure a supply of pictures that are not dear, it will be impossible to comply with your request. —

Yours &c.

Wm. Hamilton Merritt.

(signed) Jas. Hughes.

Deputy Minister of Education.

J. M. Ross Esq.
Hamilton, —
Ont. —

Married on the 20th of April 1887.—

Thomas Young and Maj. Comm Mil Schools Vs. Vs. Vs. Port Bruce.— Ent.

Order dismissed for want of prosecution.

Married on 23rd April 1887.—

Thomas Thompson.— Vs. Vs. Vs. Port Bruce.— Ent.—

Order dismissed Plaintiff's Suit.

St. St. Groff Esq. Secretary.— Thomas!— Clerk of Court Esq.— Married on 29. April 1887.— A Christening card!.— Sir!— Ent.

Allowed on the 23rd of June 1889.

Allowed on 23rd June 1889.

Johannes Gloeing and Joseph Gloeing and Johannes Gloeing

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Allowed on 29th June 1889.

Gert Hanse.

Memo: for S. O. Beasat Esqre
Fisheries Department, –
Ottawa! –

I have completed my inspection of Grim Haven, and I am preparing my report. While report next week. . . .

What would you advise me to do with the enclosed letter. – I got it here on my arrival here this 21st inst. after my first visit to Grim Haven. . .

It may be all right – and now that Colonel Tidpler – election is protested! the moral station – has to be cleared. . . .

M. H. Groff – is a Grit, but I believe he is sincere, so far as his letter goes.

I send the letter for your advice, you may take a copy and use it as you may think best. – I have $288.– to credit in expenses as hereto fore! month ending on 30th April 1897. – I hope you, and yours are all well! – Yours respectfully, Hamilton, Ont.

29. April 1897. –

Hamilton

Yo. – –

Hamilton on 29. April, 97.

Oliver Mowat Esqre M
Fisheries. –
Grit Sir. –
Ont. –

Oliver
Riding Ex=
Sure! –

Hamilton on 23. April 1897. –

Oliver Mowat Esqre M
Fisheries. –
Grit Sir. –
Ont.

Oliver
Riding Ex=
Sure! –

James S. Webster Esqre Hamilton! Ont. –

Fisheries Department, – 23. April 1887. – –

Ottawa! Ont. –

My dear Sir

Yours of the 18th instant was received by me on my return home from a 4 days Trip on the River Thames! and I will now proceed to make myself more clear to you on my applications for licences for George White and John Proudfoot of Whitby. –

These men quarrel'd at the last Election White is a Conservative, and John Proudfoot is a Reformer! When the Election got up to fever heat they dissolved partnership in fishing! hence my reason for separating them this year. I am on intimate terms with each of them; they have written to me about the squabble. –

Your reasons are sound, solid and substantial. – You might just say: –

1. John Proudfoot, Whitby, – "For a licence to fish a small seine 75 yards long in Lake Ont[illegible] fronting on Whitby Harbour."

"Also the privilege of fishing 200 yards of Pike and Herring gill nets in Whitby Harbour and in Lake Ontario fronting on the Harbour during this current year." the amount $4.00 –

2. George White, Whitby, – "For a Boat licence to fish 300 yards of Pike and Herring gill nets in Whitby Harbour and in Lake Ontario fronting on the Harbour! also the privilege of fishing a Hoop net for bait fish in said Harbour, during this current year." amount, – – $5.00.

This will be more explicit I hope!! –

I am much obliged to you for your kind enquiries after my health. – –

I am in excellent health, – but my right knee is getting on slowly, and I am walk much better than I could when I was at Ottawa. –

It is very kind of you to remember me; and I warmly thank you! Kindly remember to my friends in your office! and believe me! Yours very truly and friendly. – –

John W. Kerr. – F.O.

(2)

James A. McGuire Esq. Hamilton, Ont. –

Fisheries Department, 23. March 1897. –

Ottawa, Ont. –

Sir,

Yours of the 18th inst. was received by me on my return home from a long trip on the lakes.

Ottawa, since I wrote, numerous to make myself more clear to you on my application for licence for Sturgeon Bluff and the Transport of Bluff. –

These new quarrels at the last Sturgeon Bluff is a bonanza, and the transport is a bonanza; when the fishery got up to pay, but they disorder further only in fishing; these my reasons for separating from this year. I am in limits terms until end of them; they have written to me about the squabbles. –

Your reasons are sound, which are substantials. – You might point out:– 1. The transport Bluff. – [illegible]

(2)

to fish [illegible] smelts from 75 yards long in [illegible] fishing on Bluff Bluff."

"Then the privilege of fishing 300 yards of the pile nets in Bluff Bluff was not [illegible] clause fishing on the Bluff during this present year." The amount $4,300 –

2. Large Bluff, Bluff. – "Not been to paid 300 yards of the net fishing pile nets in Bluff Bluff was not in [illegible] fishing on the Bluff; also the privilege of fishing a day net for but fish in this Bluff during the present year." Amount – $5,000

This will be more explicit I hope. –

I am most obliged to you for your kind expressions upon my health. –

I am in excellent health, but my right knee is getting so slowly, and I am nothing better than a smile when I have at Ottawa. –

It is only kind of you to remember me; and I sincerely thank you. Kindly remember me to my friends in your office. Most kindly yours: Yours truly and most obliged. –

Geo. Wilson.

Printed fishing
licence for 1887.-
5. Pound Stets!-

William G. Emery Esqre
and Company!-
Merchant, &c. &c. &c.-

Mailed on
30. April 1887.

Port Burwell,-
Ont

Printed fishing
licence for 1887.-
5. Pound Stets!

George A. Brown.
and
Wm. H. Lindsay Esqre
Port Burwell.-
Ont.

Mailed on
30. April 1887.

Printed fishing
licence for 1887.-
3. Pound Stets!-

A. W. Gauthier Esqre
&c. &c. &c.-
Windsor!
Ont.

Mailed on
30. April 1887.

Hunter Pitching
Innes Jr. 1887.
5. Runs after 1.

William H. Henry Lang
was bowled.
attended P. T. P.

attended on
25. August 1887.

Not Runners.

Hunter pitching
Innes Jr. 1887.
5. Runs after 1.

Hugh A. Hunter.
was
William Henry Lang
Not Runners.

attended on
25. August 1887.

Hunter pitching
Innes Jr. 1887.
5. Runs after 1.

Christ Fiskeri
licens for 1887.
5. Danske Skib:-

Christ Fiskeri
licens for 1887.
2. Danske Skib!-

John Christensen
Skibsf.
Ole Stanley.-
Skf.

Mødte den
30. April!

H. A. Koefoed Hansen
Fiskeri---
København!-
Skf.

Mødte den
30. April 1887.

April ---- 7. ---

				8. 4.	
April 1897. 20th	Peter Lowe, Thos Lee,	Lisman!	5. 00.	Please refer to my	
— —	Thomas Crilly, &c!	Lisman!	5. 00.	letter of 12. April inst.	
" "	Wm G. Lang, Pt Dundas, &c.	Lisman	100. 00.	Bank charge No: 496.	
		Total,	$110. 00	for $ 100. as above. —	
April 1897. 19th	Thomas Stone, Sandy Bay,	Lisman!	10. 00.	Please refer to my letter	
— —	Wm Brown, Listing!	Lisman!	5. 00.	of 19. April inst.	
— —	Geo: White, Wellesley,	Lisman!	5. 00.	charge No: 506. for	
— —	John Armstrong, &c!	Lisman!	4. 00.	$24. 00 —	
		Total,	$24. 00		
April 1897. 27th	Lyman Young &c	Lisman!	250. 00.	Please refer to my	
— —	J. A. Keating	Lisman!	100. 00.	letter of 20th April	
— —	Thomas Thompson!	Lisman!	100. 00.	instant, Bank charge	
" "	John Chas Pt Henry,	Lisman!	250. 00.	No: 550, for $700. 00,	
" "	Thos. Ryan, Listowel!	Lisman!	5. 00.	See letter of 27th inst.	
		Total,	$705. 00		
April 1897. 27th	L. A. Smith, Brantford,	Lisman!	150. 00.	Please refer to my	
— —	Wm G. Lang, Valley Pt Dundas,	Lisman	150. 00.	letter of 20th April	
— —	Rev. Geo: A. Brown,			instant, Bank charge	
— —	and Wm. H. Keating, &c,	Lisman!	250. 00.	No: 561. for $550. 00,	
		Total,	$550. 00		

The total amount for Lisman stationery to the Department, for the month ending this 30th April 1897! -- is $1307. 00 — 8. 4

No: 550. Drafts sent herewith: 700. 00. Sent to the Printing
— 561. Drafts sent herewith: 550. 00. Department on the
Hamilton! 30th April 1897 --- Total $1250. 00, &c ----

Sent in Triplicate to your Number!!!

The Deputy Minister, —
Department of Printing,
Ottawa, Ont.

Yours, —

Hamilton! —
Ont.

Apriel ... 7 ...

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Apriel 12 ... 1887. Cash Acct. Cr. Sundry Licenses: 5. 00. Licenses refund. Acct.
... ... Licenses Issued ... Cr.: Licenses: 5. 00. Letter of 12 Apriel inst.
... ... Mr. Henry. Dr. Licenses, 4 ... Licenses: 100. 00. Bank Acct. Cr.: 496.
Totals: $110. 00 $110. 00 for 4 Mr. Licenses ...

Apriel 14 ... 1887. Licenses returned, Sundry Licenses: 10. 00. Licenses refund. Acct.
... ... Mr. Licenses, Licensing: Licenses: 5. 00. of 14 Apriel inst. Bank
... ... Jno: Letts, Licensing: Licenses: 5. 00. Bank Acct. Cr.: 496. Jno.
... ... John Lamport, Cr.: Licenses: 4. 00. $24.00 ...

Totals: $24. 00

Apriel 27 ... 1887. Licenses Issued etc. Licenses: 250. 00. Licenses refund. Acct.
... ... Mr. Hartley. Licenses: 100. 00. Letter of 30 Apriel
... ... Licenses Cancelled: Licenses: 100. 00. Bank Acct. Cr.
... ... John Dale Cr. Sundry. Licenses: 250. 00. Cr.: 550. Jno: $1705.00;
... ... Bank Cash. Licenses: Licenses: 5. 00. Cr. Letter of cancellation

Totals: $505. 00

Apriel 29 ... 1887. Mr. Mr. Hartley, Licenses, Licenses: 150. 00. Licenses refund. Acct.
... ... Mr. Henry, Pres. Cr. Licenses, Licenses 150. 00. Letter of 30 Apriel
... ... Jno: Jno: Cr. Licenses, Bank Acct.
... ... Cr. Mr. Licensing, etc. Licenses: 250. 00. Cr.: 551. Jno: $250.00

Totals: $550. 00

The total amount for licenses issued in the Department for month ending 30 Apriel 1887 ... $1589.00 ... 4. 4

Cr.: 550. Amount cash received: 705.00. Cash in the Bank
... 551. Amount cash received: 350.00. Cancellations on the
Licenses: Cash 30 Apriel 1887 ... Total $1355.00. etc. ...

Cash in Treasury to your credit !!!

The Apriel Licenses —
Department of Statistics.
Ottawa, Cash

Licensing —

Licenses: 1 —
Cash

Hamilton, Ont. –

Sir. –

30. April 1887. – –

I have the honor to send you Bank draft No: 550, for $705.00 – dated 27th April 1887. – To be applied as per return herewith, – for Bond Net Licences in Lake Erie! – Vz. "Bond delivered this day". –

Also Bank draft No: 661, – for $550.00 – dated Hamilton, 29th April 1887. – To be applied as per return herewith: for Bond Net licences in Lake Erie: delivered this day! – – "Licences are for year 1887". –

Will you be pleased to send me Boat licence for David Tyson, of Leitch: "On to girl 1,200 yards of White fish, and Herring fyke nets: in Lake Erie, fishing in the Township of Leitch": dating this instant year! – I recommend the same. – – –

I have the honor to be,

Sir. –

Your Obedient Servant. –

J. Wilkinson –

Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister, –
Department of Fisheries. –
Ottawa! Ont. –

Hamilton, Sept.

Sir,

30. August 1897.

I have the honor to send you Bank draft for £80.0.0 for 1/2 of 2nd August 1897. The supplies on your return has until for those who are in debt to!— Pr. Your obedient this day?

Also Bank draft for £81.— for 1/2 [illegible] Hamilton, 2nd August 1897. The supplies on your return has: for those who are indebted to: obedient this day? — Answer on 2nd August 1897?

Also you to present to have on Bank Hamilton. The Bank Hamilton of Hamilton. Pay the 1/2 [illegible] of Hamilton Pay the order: in data Hamilton. Pay on the Hamilton of Hamilton? Pay this on next year!— I remain the honor.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant.

[illegible]

The Hamilton Minister.

Hamilton of Hamilton.

Hamilton, Sept.

Hamilton C.W. –
30. April 1847. ...

My dear Sir, –

I have received a rough draft of my report, but want a few things from you to complete it .... I want, —

1st. The quantity of fish caught with seines last year at Wainfleet, and also with that small seine I saw below Byron town, last year! and the quantity taught in each place this year also! giving the name of each kind of fish caught, and the quantity.

Give me a description of Hatcheries, and how far it is your hatcheries, to Jordan and Beaverdam, the extent of your division by the south branch of the Grand River! giving the names of the townships the same passes through.

On this branch give me the kinds of fish, in its waters. – – – –

In the North branch, the same of which you and I examined, please give me the name of the township, where each one is situated. ...

My time is something better than of late, this weather will improve it. ...

I think you for young Hamilton's appointment for the Fishery of Lake John in Dep. No: 2090. –

With kind and warm regards, believe me Yours faithfully. –
Seth Wilson. –
N.C.

Rev. Peter Hess
Fishery Commr. –
London, C.W.

Hamilton! Ont.

Sir,

30th April 1887.

In obedience to your instructions, I proceeded on the 18th instant, to Cashmere fishing station! situated in the River Thames below the Dam built across the river abt. 100 yards wide from the Flour Mill side to the opposite side or bank or bluff.

Cashmere Mill Dam.

From the apex of the Dam to the bottom in the river beneath is 7 feet. There has been no Fishway in this dam during the past six years! so I was told by Abraham Everingham, licensed fisherman there. But there is a slide or apron 45 feet long, on the high bluff side of the dam and where the water is always deepest in the river. This slide or apron is about 3 feet lower than the top or the balance of the main dam. Mr. Everingham and others told me they have repeatedly seen the fish ascending the stream over this apron and slide.

Dan Cameron, John Crotty, of Rothsay, and Geo. McCann of London! confirm the statement made by Everingham and others to me on this point.

The water was so high when I made my inspection that I could not then see and examine the apron. Yours

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa! Ont.

J.

Hamilton, Sept.

Sir,

30th June 1887.

I am taking to your instructions, I proceeded on the 18th instant, to Goodwood fishing station, situated in the Thames below the Glen, built across the river about 100 yards with from the Glen which side to the opposite side was dam or bluff.

Goodwood which Glen.

Glen the opp of the Glen to the bottom in the river beneath is 7 feet. Glen to low or falling in this among the part my opinion is above low flowing low, lower portion the. But there is a slide or apron 45 feet long on the high bluff side of the dam and when the water is always deepest in the river. This slide or apron is about 3 feet lower than the top or the bottom of the main dam. The flowing low over other low or flow low repeatedly saw the part accessing the stream over this apron over slide.

Our Canoe, John Young of Bathurst, and Mr Glen of Glenlee, inquire the statement made by Goodwood over other to me on the point.

The water was a high when I made my inspection that I could not tell as we over passed the apron to the Supply Minister.

Superintendent of Fishing.

Hamilton, Sept. 8.

I would wish! but it was plain to be seen that the river was 6' feet higher than the apex of the dam this spring, and fish went up stream over it, without let or hindrance, and were caught in River Thames at Wardsville six miles further up the river. --

Mr. Eagleton Gibbs, who lives in the locality is the owner of the Mill and the Mill dam at Bothwell. --

A Fishway can never be built in this dam so as to be under control as it can never be approached from land, being submerged dam and all about the time the fish are ascending the stream. --

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See Page 164 & 17. of report dated 6th day 1887.

"The Seine Fishing. &c. - &c. &c. --

There are four basis fished in the River Thames, between Bothwell dam, and Louisville bridge, across the river! besides six dip nets: aggregating a catch up to the day of my inspection of 76. Barrels of fish; viz. 19. Barrels of Pickerel, and 57 Barrels of soft fish: - Mullets, Suckers, Cat fish and sturgeon. --

Whenever the water is muddy in the River Thames at Bothwell; pickerel will not come up there, and if they happen to be in that locality of the river, when the muddy water sets in! they instantly disappear by falling back down the stream. --

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humble wish! but it was plain to be seen that the river was 6 feet higher than the spray of the new this spring, our punt went up astern was it without let or hindrance, but was caught in River Thames at Wandsworth and miles further up the river...

The highest flight, we have seen in the beginning is the course of the little one at Hambleden...

A fishing can never be built in this town so as to be under water as it can never be approached from land, being embanked down and all about the time the punt are mending the stream...

The above fishing. &c. &c. &c...

There are few down punts in the River Thames, to know hambleden, and otherwise bridge, across the river. Besides the rate: appropriating a total of to the day of my inspection of 25 barrels of punts; viz: 19 barrels, of Gathered, and 37 barrels of soft punts:- allbelieve, durtes, but punt are strongers...

Whenever the water is muddy in the River Thames at hambleden: punters will not come up there, and if they happen to be in that locality of the River, when the muddy water sets in! they instantly disappear by pulling back down the stream...

The Saw Mills. &c. &c. &c.

I drove from Rothwell, to Louisville, stopping at Mr. John Ferguson's Steam Saw Mill at Thamesville, inspected his premises and I saw Mr. Ferguson, a courteous, friendly and intelligent person. –

We conversed about Lumber. &c. – Although the mill is on the river bank; not a particle of saw dust is permitted to go in to the waters of the River Thames, although he saws annually over one million feet of lumber. – Mr. John Crotty's Division, extends from Cashmere Dam to Louisville Bridge, and he accompanied me over his Division, and back to Thamesville Station of the Grand Trunk Railway, where I took the Train for Chatham. – – – On the same day I inspected Mr. Van Allen's Steam Saw Mill at Chatham, built on the bank of the River Thames in that Town; it is a Model of neatness and wherein Millions feet of lumber are sawed annually. – –

The Syron Dam! – –

At this dam, formerly known as Smith's Mill, there is no slide there at present. – – The River Thames here is about 300 feet wide. – – The present dam, is 6 feet high; while the old dam was only 4 feet high; one plank of timber was laid atop over the old dam and spiked down, thus raising it from 4 feet;

The Humility &c. &c.

I have been battled, to demonstrate, stopping at the first Degree; Humility at Themselves, respecting his Premises and I am the Degree, a Gentleman, friendly and intelligent person. —

We conversed about Slander &c. Although the mile is on the river South; not a particle of sun that is permitted to go in to the water of the River Thames, although to some assembly are an allusion part of Slander. — the first Healthy Division, extends from Gentlemen Then to demonstrate Bridge, and to assume Premises are in his Division, and least to Thames, while Motion of the Sun that Nothing, when I that the River for Relation. — In the same way I is opposite the Mass Humanity Humanity at Slander, Hair on the Heart of the Lion Thames in that time, it is a allusion of matters and nature, Million for of Slander an Sense assembly. —

The Sun Then. —

It this an Assembly Human in Lion which, then is a little time at present. — The Lion Thames Has is about 30 feet wide. — The present is Great Height; while the Lion assembly it Great height, an plant of Slander and Lion the the Lion and opinion Assembly, the Nothing at Sun it Great.

to 5 feet high its present height. --

The slide is 24 feet, and there is no apron! - I am told this Dam is no permanent fixture, required only for purposes of speculation, as there is no intention of erecting a stile there of any kind. ---

There is a make shift Fishway not in operation, condemned by Everson, Peter McCann. ---

Griffith, and Bay, - of London, own the Dam, it was bought by them for $1,000. -- The City of London require it in connection with their water works, - and Griffith and Bay, - knowing this! want $7,000, - for the dam. ---

I recommend that a proper Fishway, be at once built in this dam; according to Rogers improved model. -- And I recommend that the necessary proceedings be instituted to carry the same to a complete and successful finish. ---

Or proceedings might be taken against Griffith, and Bay, - "for constructing a dam, across the River Thames, at Byron; which dam and obstruct the passage of fish by, and from their accustomed haunts in the waters of said River Thames, for spawning and increasing their species!"

"Vide sub section 6, of section 19, of the Fishery Act!" ---

The Spring Bank Dam!.-

At this place, from one side of River Thames, to the other side! the Dam is 310' feet long.- The dam, is 9 feet 6" inches high.-- The slope is 20' feet plank, 3" inch thick; and the apron is 10' feet plank, 3 inch thick.-- The depth of River Thames, 40 feet away from the apron, down stream is 14' feet.- Whilst above the dam, it is much deeper.--

There is a Fishway, on the dam at Spring Bank, 50' feet, 2" inches long, the depth at the bottom of the Fishway is 20" inches only, and at the top of the Fishway it is 20½" inches only.-- The inside width of the fishway is 5' feet, 7" inches.---

This is a well built dam, erected so as to divert the water of the River Thames in pumping the pure, clear spring water from the Beds, which are supplied by the different springs situated there; from the Beds the water is pumped in to a Reservoir, on a prominent height adjacent thereto, from which through pipes it conveys the water to, and supplies the inhabitants of the City of London; Hence the name! "Spring Bank" The Natural Filtering Basins of nature.---

The Water Works of London are all there. Pumping by Water power and Steam power, I saw and was kindly conducted through the premises.-

The Spring Bank Dam :-

At this place, from one side of River Thames, to the other side, the Dam is 310 feet long. The dam is 9 feet 6 inches high. The slope is 22 feet planck 3 inch thick; near the upper is 10 feet planck 3 inches thick. The depth of River Thames, 10 feet among from the upper, dam stands is 14 feet. Below above the dam, it is much deeper.

There is a Bulkhead, on the dam at Spring Bank, 30 feet 8 inches long, the depth at the bottom of the Bulkhead is 20 inches only, but at the top of the Bulkhead it is 20 ½ inches only. The width width of the Bulkhead is 3 feet 7 inches.

This is a small bank dam, greater or as the rate = ise the water of the River Thames in pumping the pure, clear spring water from the Bank, which is supplied by the different springs situated there; from the Bank the water is pumped in to a Reservoir, to a prominent height adjacent thereto; from which through pipes it conveys the water to, and supplies the inhabitants of the City of Oxford, hence the name: "Spring Bank." The Bulkhead Stopping Banks of water. ---

The Water Work of Oxford are all this. Supp = ing by Water power and Steam power, I have and was kindly conducted through the premises.

The Corporation of London, talk of putting in 2, Gates in the Dam this year.-- By an agreement made with London West, 2 Waste Gates are to be Constructed in this dam! and if so, it will not I suppose be necessary then! for to have a Fishway in this dam.-- The Gates will answer all the purpose of a Fishway.-- but failing to put in the Gates, I recommend that a suitable Fishway, deep, improved Model, be constructed in the Spring this dam! as the depth of the present Fishway is too shallow.--

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Black Friars Dam! - London Township! -

J. B. Saunday and Coy, - are the owners.-- The Fishway on this dam was condemned by Coroner Peter McCann, the Local Coroner.--

And as it has become useless, I recommend that a good, proper and substantial Fishway, of the Rodgers Model, be placed in this dam, during this current year; when the water gets low in the River Thames and its Branches.---

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Polluting the waters of River Thames.-

Here I find it is my duty to report: That the Sewage from the City of London underground drains, and sewers, enters the waters of the River Thames,

The temperation of climates, both of putting in 2. parts in the same this year. by an agreement made with climates that 2 latest parts are to be constructed in this climate: but if so, it will not 2 suppose to necessary then for to have a Building in this climate. The parts will answer all the purpose of a Building. But putting it part in the parts, I recommend that a suitable Building, large, superior, should be constructed in the flourishing town for the capital of the present Building in the Allahabad.

Mark Twain Esq.

S. It however not long are the answer. The Building in this case consumed by because the Allahabad, the closed because.

But as it has become needless, I recommend that a good, proper and substantial Building of the Lodgers allotted, be placed in this town, among the current year; also the matter part low in the Three and its Remarks.

Allotting the matters of Three Houses.

Here I point it my duty to report: That the Lodgers from the Help of climates management, and answer, enters the matters of the Three Houses,

and pollutes the same down stream as far as Spring Bank; the River Thames being a stream frequented by several of the kinds of fish, named in the Fisheries Act. - - -

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Flower Mills! Township Arthur. -

J. M. Barnard, is the Mill owner, there is a grist and saw mill at this place. - -

The dam across this Branch of River Thames, is 200 feet long, and 7 feet high. - - -

A magnificent Fishway is constructed on the East side of the River Thames. - - It has no connection with the dam. - An upright abutment, 40 feet long, running back from the east end of the dam up stream, on the east bank of this Branch of the River Thames, was built. - - From the centre of this a Fishway was constructed on an improved model; under the Local Overseers superintendence. - -

This is the most complete and perfect Fishway, I have yet seen, except the Fishway in the Saugeen River; at Gordon's Mill, - near Southampton. -

The Fishway in the first place, is 12 feet long, from said abutment to the east side plank of dam, then from the angle formed here, the Fishway is 40 feet longer, down from there to the stream; it is 8 feet wide inside, with 6 buckets permanently

and pollutes the same atmosphere as far as
flowing South; the River Thames being a stream
frequented by vessels of the kinds of fish, common
in the Chickasaw lot. - - -

River Willis!

Lat. Observed in the Willis-river there is a fine
most new mile at this place. - -

The dam across this channel of River Thames, is
200 feet long, and 7 feet high. - - -

A magnificent Gallery is constructed on the East
side of the River Thames. - It has no connection
with the dam. - In length altogether 40 feet long,
running back from the East end of the dam up
stream, on the East bank of this channel of the River
Thames, one hundred. - Then the centre of this a
Gallery was constructed on an improved model;
across the above channel supernatural. - -

This is the most complete and perfect Gallery, I
have yet seen, except the Gallery in the Chapman
River; at Pendleton Willis, near Charlottesville. -

The Gallery in the first place, is 12 feet long,
from east, adjacent to the east side plank of dam;
then from the single present line, the Gallery is
40 feet longer, across from then to the stream; it
is 8 feet wide inside, with 6 hundred permanently

fastened and secured at regular spaces apart. The feeder and entrance from the River Thames to this Fishway is 1' foot, by 3' feet. ---

It requires to be made deeper, and it will be then a complete fishway in perfect working order and in good repair in every respect. -

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J. D. Moore's Mill Dam :- Township Blanchard:

Is situated on this branch of the River Thames, about 2 miles from the Town of St. Marys, - The dam is situated as follows: - Viz.

1st. A dam, 150' feet long, from the bank of the River Thames, to the upper end of an Island situated in the centre of the River :. -

2nd. An Island in the centre of the River. --

3rd. Another dam, running from the upper end of the Island 150' feet long to the other side of the River. -- These dams are built of stone. -- From the bottom of these dams to the top it is only about 8 feet. -- The water fronting the dams are built upright. There is no Fishway in these dams, there is a portion of the remains of one. -- It is necessary that there should be a sufficient fishway constructed in this dam. -- I recommend the same for the consideration of the Hon. the Minister. -- The same to be Hodgins model. -- -- Dated, built accordingly :.

Portions, and leaves at regular spaces apart.

The feeder was extended from the River Thames to this Chimney in 1 foot by 3 feet. ---

It requires to be made deeper, and it will be then a complete failure in respect not being made and in good repair in every respect. –

J. S. Morris Allin Esq.:–

He situated on the Bank of the River Thames, about 2 miles from the Town of ⸸ Abingdon. The Arm is situated as follows:– Fig ⸸.

1st It runs, 150 feet long, from the Bank of the River Thames, to the upper end of an Alkaline situated in the Centre of the River:–

2nd The Alkaline is the Centre of the River. –

3rd Another Arm, running from the upper end of the Alkaline 150 feet long to the other side of the River. – These Arms are built of stone. – The bottom of these Arms to the top it is only about 3 feet. – The walls forming the Arms are built upright. There is no Chimney in these Arms, they are open at the Bottom of one. – It is necessary that there should be a considerable Chimney constructed in the Arm. – Arrangement the same for the Construction of the 1st 2nd & 3rd Arm situated. – The same to be larger made. – – Not built accordingly:

The owner of this dam was represented to me as a worthy man; I saw him in St Marys, where he lives...

I was informed that fish are frequently seen going over this dam during high water....

The Victoria Flour Mill, St Marys! - Blanchard's

Is owned by Stephen Knight, and the dam is 6 feet, from the bed of the river beneath, to the top of same, and all is built upright of stone...

This dam is nearly similar to the J. D. Moore dam! -

The 1st Dam, is about 100 feet long..

" 2nd There is an Island 150 feet long...

" 3rd The Dam from the upper end of the Island is 150 feet long, from the island to the bank of the river...

The Fishway is 32 feet long, the model width, and depth! and it is out of repair... It appears the remnant left, to have been bolted and well secured together; but gone way before the recent Ice flow..

A New Fishway is now required in this Dam...

Some of the timbers and the bolts, lying there useless at present, might be used in the construction of a new Fishway! and I recommend Rodgers model, in preference to any other thing of the kind for your consideration. -

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The owners of this dam were represented to me as worthy men; I saw him in Albany, before the Sub.--
I was informed that pipes are frequently seen going over this dam during high water. ---

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The Eastern Flow dam.- Albany.!-
is served by stoplogs through, over the dam as 6 feet from the floor of the river beneath, to the top of dam, over all is built equivalent of stone. --
The dam is nearly similar to the Flow dam.!-
The 1st Dam, is about 100 feet long.-
" 2nd Dam is in about 150 feet long.--
" 3rd The Dam from the upper end of the abutment is 170 feet long. from the abutment to the bank of the river. --
The Stilling is 32 feet long, the water varies; over depth; but it is out of repair. -- It appears the lumber left, to have been bolted over with cross logs; but gone now leaving the bent the flow.--
A flow Stilling is now required in this dam.--
Some of the timber out the bolts, lying there under at present might be used in the construction of a new Stilling; but a necessary Stoplog must be purchased to carry out the thing of the Sub by your committee. --

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St. Marys. Flour Mill! –

Is owned by Messrs. Carter and Sons. –

The Dam is placed from the bank of the River Thames, to the point of the stone Pier or abutments, 3 in number; facing up stream of the Grand Trunk Railway Bridge. – The Dam extending within the space of these Piers; say: 66 feet, between each pier; total length of the Dam is 198 feet. – The Bridge is iron and wood, about 65 feet high with a foot path on each side of the Track. – Overseer McLean, and myself, were looking down from this footway, at the Fishway, on last Monday afternoon, when a Passenger Train – for Stratford came along at the rate of 40 miles, an hour and passed us. – – –

The Fishway, is in a good place and position along=side of the outside Pier or Abutment, with an abundance of water flowing over it. – But the Ice coming down this spring, wrecked the upper works of this Fishway to pieces. – I saw it plainly from the top of the Rail=way Bridge, the only place to get a good view of it.

The Mill owners of this Dam, would not allow Ice to be taken off their Mill Dam last winter, by the inhabi=tants of St Marys, a Town of 5,000. inhabitants! hence the origin of the Petition, as I was credibly informed, and not for the protection nor increase of fish in this Branch of the River Thames. – It is spite work. – –

I recommend Rodgers model Fishway in this case also.

Mr. Hardy. Town Clerk !—

Honored Sir & Brother and Sons—

The Dam is placed from the bank of the River Thames, to the point of the above Isle or Islands, I am number: pening up a town of the Grove Street Railroad Bridge.—

The Dam extending within the space of three Isle: say: 44 feet between each pier: total length of the Dam is 198 feet.— The bridge is also one mile, about 65 feet high with a foot path on each side of the Street.— Therefore all Dam, must supply more lacking above from the pertown, at the Bulkhead, or last allowed extreme, when a Passage Town— for Steamer come along at the rate of 10 miles, an hour must pass me.— —

The Bulkhead, is in a good place and position along side of the outside Isle or Islands, with a abundance of water flowing over it.— But the also running above the bridge, weather the upper works of this Bulkhead to pieces.— I am it plainly from the top of the Bridge and Bridge, the only place to get a good view of it.

The little waves of this Dam, would not allow also to take off that little Blue last water, by the outside tank of Hardy, a Town of 3,000 inhabitants— the origin of the Bridge, as I was readily informed, not for the protection or increase of land in this Island of the River Thames.— It is quite work.— Freeman Hodges made Bulkhead in this case also.

The Grist Mill, and Saw Mill at Downey! —

James Ruthey, Township of Downey, owns a Grist mill, and Saw Mill on the North Branch of the River Thames, The Dam is 150 feet long between one bank of the river, and the other bank, and it is 3 feet 6 inches high. — There appears to be nothing to prevent fish going up stream by the centre of the dam; carried away to the extent of 20 yards. — The Fishway is on the north end of the Dam, close to the bank of River. — And is just about the same as the others. — The fishway in this case was planked over, and the planking was then covered over with large stone. — The covering was all carried away by the Ice, and the stones then fell in to the Fishway. — The apron is 12 feet plank. — From this dam, as far down stream; as the Spring Bank Dam, Green Bass, and Rock Bass, are in abundance, but there are no other kind of fish. — It is 45 miles by the river from Spring Bank, dam; below the City of London; to Ruthers dam in the Township of Downey. —

Angling for Bass is extensively carried on, during the proper season for Bass fishing. —

The foregoing is a correct report of the Dams and Fishways on the Main Branch of River Thames, from Cashmere dam, to Black Friars dam at London; and up the north Branch of River Thames,

The first slide, one dam slide at Stowey!—

James Gurney, Township of Stowey, owns a first mill, one dam slide on the North Branch of the Bear Creek.

The dam is 150 feet long between one bank of the river and the other, and is 3 feet 6 inches high.— There appears to be nothing to prevent fish going up stream by the centre of the dam; provided money to the extent of 20 pounds.— The fishway is on the north end of the dam, close to the bank of river.— Dam is first about the same as the other.— The fishway in this case was planked over, and the planking was then covered over with large stone.— The crossing was all provided money by the dam, and the stones then fell in to the fishway.— The apron is 12 feet planks. Then this dam, as far as we saw, stream; as the spring bank dam & apron dam, and bank dam, are in close dance, but there are no other kind of fish.— It is 45 miles by the river from spring bank dam: below the falls of Gowan: to Gurney dam in the Township of Stowey.—

Judging for dam is extremely small or, having the proper season for dam fishing.—

The foregoing is a second report of the dams and fishways on the eastern branch of Bear Creek, Bearbones dam, to Grant Mills dam at Gowan: and up the north branch of Bear Creek,

Hamilton, Ont.

2nd May 1887.

My dear Ramsey,—

Yours of the 28th ult=
imo received.— I have no power
within myself to allow you or
any other person to fish Pound
Nets in Lake Erie, until the licence
fee is first paid.— If you want
to fish one, two or three Pound
Nets,—during this current year in
Lake Erie, at Low Banks, you
will please send me in advance
$50, per pound licence fee.—

But until that is done you nor
no one else can set a Pound in
the waters of Lake Erie.— So you
may henceforth abandon the idea
of fishing any other way or differ=
ent from the orders issued from
the Fisheries department regarding
pound net licences and Pound net
fishermen.— The Twine cannot be set
in the Lake, belonging to any Pound
fisherman, until the licence fee is first
paid! Such are my orders, and I
can, not, and I will not break my
orders nor instructions for you nor for
any one else!— There are 43 pound
nets being fished in my division of
Lake Erie,—at 50. per pound $2150,— and
up to last saturday I got of this amount
$1500,— and I sent the said amount to
the Fisheries department, on last Sat=
urday. 30th April.— I can do no=
thing in the premises for you, and
unless you pay as other men do,
you can fish no more in my
Division of Lake Erie, or Lake
Ontario.— I am My dear Ramsey,—

Yours fraternally,—

J. W. Ramsey Esqre. Chas. Wilkins.
Low Banks,— O.C.— Fishery Overseer.
Lake Erie,— Ont.

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to the Rathbeys dam in the Township of Downey. The Bass are all natives of the River Thames, between Spring Bank dam; and Downey dam: and are the natural propagation of the fish themselves. --

Very few Bass are caught below Cashmere dam, Pickerel and rough or coarse fish being the general run of fish there. --

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Pickerel and Coarse Fish:-

Last season and this a good many pickerel and coarse fish were caught in the River Thames at Wardsville, which is 6 miles further up the river from the Cashmere Dam. -- It is remarkable that Pickerel never go higher up the River Thames than Wardsville. It is a general fact, known to the Seine hauling Fishermen, who fish yearly below Cashmere dam, that whenever the water in the river becomes muddy and polluted; the pickerel drop down the stream, and leave there, and will not return again until the water in the river becomes clear and pure once more. --- I recommend a large supply of Pickerel fry, being distributed and planted in the Rapids below Bayron dam, if on hand at the Hatcheries. -- And to continue the same yearly for next four years. -- This I find is necessary because there are this year 25 licensed seines, and 6 dip nets fished under licence there. --

In the Southern Sea in the Township of Conway. The Dams are all motives of the Inner Channel. Between Spring Bank Cove; and Conway Sea: and are the natural propagation of the fish themselves. --

Very few Dams are sought below Bankmore Sea, Neither are rough or coarse fish being the general run of fish there. --

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Neither are Coarse Fish. --

Great Reason and this is good many fishers and Coarse fish were sought in the Inner Channel at Ballydamlee, which is 6 miles further up the River from the Bankmore Sea. -- It is remarkable that Neither ever go higher up the Inner Channel than Ballydamlee. It is a general fact, known to the close Angling Fish Sean, with fish gently below Bankmore Sea, that whenever the water in the River becomes muddy and polluted; the fishers drop down the stream, and leave there, and will not return again until the water in the River becomes clear and pure once more. --

Therefore a large supply of Neither Pike, being distributed and planted in the Rapids below Cayon Sea; if or have at the Ballydamlee. -- But to continue the same gently for most few years. -- The 6 Pounds is necessary because there are this year 25 licensed Seines, and 6 dip nets fishers under licence there. --

During my inspection I called on Overseer Timothy McQueen, who resides 8 miles below Chatham on his farm of 50 Acres. -- We held an animated conversation on the Fishing affairs of his Division in the River Thames, situated between the Bridge at Louisville and the mouth of the River Thames near the Light House; where it enters Lake St Clair. -- Owing to high water in the River Thames on the breaking up of the ice this spring, the ice becoming jammed flooded the farms in the locality of the river, stopping the fishing this spring earlier than usual. -- I may here report, that it is a rule between the Overseers McCann, Crotty, McQueen, and the licensed fishermen: that when "Close Season" for Bass, and Pickerel: commences on the 15th April, in each year, fishermen stop fishing! -- and they stopped fishing accordingly. --

In cold weather like this, licensed fishermen for the year: should not by any rule be prevented from catching Mullet, Suckers, Cat fish, Channel Cat, Perch, and Sturgeon, during the close season for Pickerel and Bass. -- Farmers like a mess of these fish occasionally, and the Fishermen should not be debarred from catching and selling them. --

The entire catch of all kinds of fish in Overseer McQueens division of River Thames, this season with great difficulties to contend against up to the 15th April instant amounted only to # 3,166. --

During my inspection of Pollock on Dawson Thursday
all Queen was reaches 8 miles below Stratton on the
River of 35 lines. We take an unusual concession on
the Fishing opinion of the Division in the River Thames
between the Bridge at Gravesville and the mouth
of the River Thames near the Eight lines; where it
enters Lake St Helen. -- Having to keep water in
River Thames on the breaching up of the dam this spring,
the ice becoming jammed floated the pains in the se-
ciety of the River, stopping the fishing this spring en=
tirely this season. -- I may here report that it is a
between the Dawson & Pleasant, Bentley, Pleasant, and the
licensed fishermen: that when "Three Lines" for Gran,
and Gravesville: licensees on the 15th April in each
year, must stop fishing!-
fishermen stop fishing accordingly. --
In cold weather like this, licensee fishermen for the
year: should not be permitted to remove from
fishing shallot, shelves, but just, Thames for Gran,
and Stirgeon, leaving the three seasons for Gravesville
and Gran. -- Thames like a place of these fish ac=
cordingly, and the Fishermen should not be de=
barred from fishing and selling them. --
The entire total of all kinds of fish in Dawson
Pleasant division of River Thames, this season
with great difficulties to contend against up to
the 15th April inclusive amounted only to ℔ 3166. --

I hope you will be able to see by this report that the present Fishways on the Mill Dams of the River Thames, even if they were in good repair and working order, are too shallow.-- The Buckets, or Steps placed so close together that fish have not sufficient room and space therein to turn or to enjoy themselves while passing through them up stream to spawn and increase their species.-- In replacing the present useless Fishways, care should be taken in constructing the new fishways to replace them, that the inside depth and width be regulated according to the height of the Dam, and the depth of the water.---

And whenever New Fishways are constructed, they should be built in the dam, and not upon it.--

And in future it is necessary that attention should be paid by the Mill owners to their respective fishways during times when fish are ascending the river and they need some care for their protection.--

I have advised the local Overseer of London, Mr. Peter McCann, to see that this is always henceforth strictly attended to.---

I recommend that you will be pleased to exonerate Overseer McCann and Crotty's Divisions.--

And I recommend that you will be pleased to furnish the Bothwell division with a Boat and a pair of oars.--It will enable the local Overseer thereof, John Crotty Jr., to be more active and efficient in the discharge of his duties amongst the fishermen:- "The Moravian Indians and White men, fishing being carried on both sides of River Thames in his division.--I can procure an excellent boat for $40.- dollars, if you order me to do so.-

I beg to report that the foregoing is my answer to the Petitioners: Freeholders, and other residents of the

I hope you will be able to see by this report that the present Pishonagy on the Little Cove of the River Thames, even if they were in good repair, are working order, are too shallow. -- The Dutchy or Ships Places or Cove together that yet have not sufficient room and space therein to turn or to unship themselves with passing through them up stream to repair and increase their shipping. -- In replacing the present useless Pishonagy, care should be taken in constructing the new Pishonagy to replace them, that the inside depth and width be regulated according to the height of the Cove, and the depth of the water. ---

That whenever the Pishonagy are constructed, they should be built in the cove, and not upon it. --

But in future it is necessary that attention should be paid by the pilloweers to their respective Pishonagy during time when yet are assembling the timber and they need some one for their protection. --

I have admired the local manner of cleaning, yll Cove yll Thames, to see that this is always transported cheaply attended to. ---

I recommend that you will be pleased to appoint a Cove yll Thames and Pishonagy Minister. --

But I recommend that you will be pleased to furnish the Pettiness ministry with a boat and a pair of oars. -- It will enable the local Commissioner John Scott Esq. to be more active and efficient in the discharge of his duties amongst the fishermen. -- The pilloweers should and likely men, fishing begging service or both sides of River Thames in this division. -- Have proved an excellent boat for yll pilloweers, if you order me to do so. --

I beg to report that the pensioning is my answer to the Petitions: Chickahoo, and other residents of the

Townships of Missouri and London. ---

In conclusion I beg to report, that local Overseers Peter McCann, of London, and John Crotty Jr. of Rothwell, accompanied me on my inspection, over their respective Divisions. --

All of which is respectfully submitted for your information! -- And the Honble The Minister. ---

I Have the Honor to be,

Sir. -

Your Obedient Servant. -

John W. Kerr. -

Fishery Overseer. ---

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Memorandum! -

I send you the copy of a letter, sent by the local Overseer Peter McCann, - to James Griffith Esqre Byron, - Owner of the dam there. --

I have talked with the Overseers, - and I feel satisfied they will be attentive to their duties in future. --- I met no person during my inspection to complain of Overseers McQueen, Crotty and McCann, in charge of the Thames River. -- They had inspected their respective Divisions on the River, before my arrival there on the 18th instant. -- And although I incidentally enquired no one had any complaints to make. --- So far as protecting the fish in River Thames, Bass and Pickerel during close seasons, I believe these Officers discharge their duties faithfully. --

Yours Obediently. -

John Kerr. -

F.O. -

Hamilton! -

Ont. -

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See pages 16 & 17 Continued report

Gentlemen of Arizona and Sonora. ---

An examination I beg to report that Israel Bennett Esq. of Sonora, and John Bartlett Esq of Bartlett, accompanied me on my inspection over their respective divisions. --

All of which is respectfully submitted for your information! -- And the Hon the Minister. ---

I have the Honor to be,

Sir. -

Your Obedient Servant. -

J. Mullitter. -

Military Governor. ---

Allemandum! -

I have upon the copy of a letter, sent by the Israel Bennett Esq. to James Bartlett Esq. Report. Bennett of the Sonora Division. --

I have written until the Bennett, and I see satisfied that will be entitled to their duties in future. --- I met no person during my inspection to complain of Bennett Esq. Bartlett and Esq. in charge of the Pimas Division. -- They have inspected at their respective divisions on the line, before my arrival there on the 15th instant. -- But neglected I unfortunately inquired no one have any complaints to make. --- So far as protecting the part in their Pimas. Been our Officers during these troubles, I believe these officers discharge their duties faithfully. --

Have Honorably. -

J. Mullitter. -

Do. -

Hamilton! -

Sir. -

Hamilton, Ont.,
4th May 1887.—

My dear Sir.—

Yours of the 29th ultimo, was duly received containing cheque for $100.— for to pay license fee to fish, with two Pound nets only during this current year 1887.— each with a single "head" or "pot" in that portion of the public waters of Lake Erie abreast of lots No. 6, 12 and 13.— Tenth Concession, Township of Dunwich."——

I wish you God speed, and may you have a successful season.———

Wind and warm regards to you and yours! believe me!

Yours truly.—

John Wilkes.—

William Church Esqre. Fishery Overseer.
Pound Net Fisherman,
Port Dover, — Ont.

Lake Erie Fishing
Licence for Year 1887.
for Lot 2, 3rd Range.—

William Church Esqre
Pd. Net Inspection.—
Port Dover.— Ont.

Mailed on the
5th May 1887.—

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One printed
fishing licence
for year 1887. $\frac{1}{2}$

John Crowfoot Esqre
&c. &c. &c.
Whitby, C.O.
Ont.
$\frac{1}{2}$

One printed
fishing licence
for year 1887. $\frac{1}{2}$

George White Esqre
&c. &c. &c.
Whitby. C.O.
Ont.
$\frac{1}{2}$

Mailed on
5. May 1887. $\frac{1}{2}$

One Pd. M.
Printed licence
for year 1887. $\frac{1}{2}$

Mr. Wm. Scott.
Pd. Net Fisherman.
Bertie. C.O.
or
Ridgeway!
Ont.
$\frac{1}{2}$

Mailed on
5. May 1887. $\frac{1}{2}$

One printed
fishing licence
for year 1887. $\frac{1}{2}$

William Cowan Esqre
&c. &c. &c.
Highland Creek,
Ont.

Mailed on
5. May 1887. $\frac{1}{2}$

J. W. Kerr. —
F.O.

The Printer
Fishing licence
for year 1887.

The Printer
Fishing licence
for year 1887.

The Chairman and
Printer licence
for year 1887.

Allowance on
January 1887.

Net.

Allowance on
January 1887.

Net.

Fishing. G.O.

Fishing. G.O.

Fishery Office Log
No. No. No.

Allowance on
January 1887.

Net.

Fishing. G.O.

Fishery Office Log
No. No. No.

Allowance on
January 1887.

Net.

Fishing. G.O.

The Chairman.
Fishing. G.O.

Allowance on
January 1887.

Net.

Fishing. G.O.

The Printer
Fishing licence
for year 1887.

The Printer
Fishing licence
for year 1887.

Allowance on
January 1887.

Net.

Fishing licence Log
No. No. No.

Wm Scott Esqre
P^d Met Fisherman!—
Bertie, Ont. Hamilton! Ont. —
5. May 1887.—

My dear Scott.—

Will you please send your P^d Met license for current year of 1887.— "For to fish with one pound net only, with a single "head" or "pot" in that portion of the public waters of Lake Erie, known as Point Abino Bay,— ~~and~~ fronting on Bigger Point— township of Bertie." —

Will you be pleased to get from Hunt and his partner $5.— for Boat license and send it to me with number of yards of Gill nets they are fishing! also, please see Charley Mendenhall to the same effect,— And if you have been fishing Gill nets yourself, send me $5.— and number of yards of gill nets.—

With kind and warm regards.—

Yours truly,—
John Wilkins F.O.—

Hamilton! Ont.
12. May 1887.—

My dear Ramsey,—

Since I wrote you, on the 13th instant! I have had an opportunity to say a word in your favour to The Deputy Minister at Ottawa.— If it succeeds well and good.— If it does not succeed you must be prepared to leave Bag and Baggage! unless the license money is just paid down!— You must not mistake my words.— I am bound by my solemn oath of Office to obey all orders received.— I am also bound by the kindly treatment I receive from The Deputy Minister and the Department to do my duty faithfully.—

And unless The Deputy Minister says so! you can have no show whatever.—

As soon as I hear from Ottawa you shall hear at once from me.—

J. W. Ramsey Esqre, Yours truly,
Lake Banks.— John Wilkins F.O.
Ont.

Westbrook Jail 7th
Oldest Inhabitant.

Dear Sir,

Westbrook Jail —
6 March 1887.

My dear Friend,

Write you please Point
you the right Reason for amount you
of 1887. — "Or to pick with one pus
not only with a single Hand" or "Put in
that portion of the public monies of state
Tax, Revenue or Crown Office Day — and
putting on Hopper Crust. Humidity of
Dirtis. —"

Write you to please to get from
Court our his partner of 5/- for that
Reason and Count it to me with you=
ular of years of life made they are Pick=
ing: also, please see Clerkly attendant
to the same effect. But if you have
been picking this made yesterday, send me
4/5 — and number of years of life made.
Until time and more hopeds. —

Yours truly —
Westbrook &c.

Westbrook Jail

16 March 1887.

My dear Friend, — Since I wrote you on
the 13th instant, I have had an opportunity
to put a word in your Ground to the
Deputy Minister at Ottawa. — If it succeeds
well our good. If it does not succeed
you must be prepared to have Dog and
Doggery, unless the Reason allowed is first
point shown. — You must not mistake my
words. — I am known by my actions only of
Office to obtain all means necessary. — I am
also known by the Kindly treatment I re=
ceive from the Deputy Minister and the
Department to be my duty faithfully. —
But unless the Deputy Minister says to
you — I have no alone authorise. —
If soon as I hear from Ottawa you
shall hear at once from me. —
I am Dear Friend, Yours truly,
Dear Sir. — Westbrook &c.

Hamilton! Ont. -

Sir. - 5. May 1887. -

I have the honor to report in obedience to your order of the 5th April last: -

"That the following licenses for to fish Pound nets in the Elgin Division of Lake Erie: were not taken and paid for by the end of the month of April last, but I expect they will be all taken and paid for by the 15th instant: - Viz.

1. David Patterson,	New Glasgow,	3. Pounds,	$150.-
2. Daniel Lang,	Eagle,	Aldborough,	3. Pounds,	$150.-
3. Joseph Page & Boy,	Tyrconnell.	2. Pounds,	$100.-
4. John Ellison,	Port Stanley,	5. Pounds,	$250.-
		Total,	$650.-

Since the 1st of this month I have received $100. from Wm. Church, of Tyrconnell, and I have sent him his license, - The other four I have notified to pay up; which I presume will be soon complied with. - - -

I have the Honour to be,
Sir, -
Your Obedient Servant, -
John Wilkes, -
Fishery Overseer. -

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa! Ont.

Hamilton, Mont. –

Sir, – 6. July 1889. –

I have the honor to report in obedience to your order of the 3rd April last: –

That the following licenses for to pick Cement rock in the Fossil Division of Lewis & Clarke Co.: were not taken out prior for by the end of the month of April last, but I expect they will be all taken out prior for by the 15th instant: – Viz:

1. Samuel Patterson, Helena Montana. 3. Months. – 150.–
2. Samuel Long, Eagle Bluff Mont. 3. Months. – 150.–
3. Joseph Gage Helena, Montana. – 2. Months. – 100.–
4. John Sheehan, Fort Benton. 6. Months. 250.–

Total $650.–

Since the 1st of this month I have received $100. from Mr. Gilchrist of Helena, and I have sent him his license. – The other four I have notified to pay up; which I presume will be soon complied with. – –

I have the honor to be,

Sir, –

Your obedient servant. –

Philip Gilman.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Finance.
Ottawa. Ont.

Hamilton! Ont. —

My dear Sirs! — 5. May 1887. ---

On the 12th April last I wrote you from the Deputy Minister of Fisheries, thus:

"You will please report to this Department, "all licences that are not taken and paid for "by the end of this month! April!!..." —

I have in compliance with this order reported this day, that I still hold your licence in my possession and that I expect you will apply for and pay for it, by the 15th instant. —

I may candidly tell you that the Deputy Minister further instructed me: —

"The fees on such licences must invariably be paid in advance and no one allowed to fish until the full fee is paid."

It only remains for me now to carry out the orders of the Deputy Minister. —

Please send me your $100 — on receipt.

I am, Yours respectfully,

Mess.rs Joseph Page & Bro. — John Wilson P.O.

Lyrasville, P.O. — Ont.

Hamilton! Ont. —

5. May 1887. ---

Dear Sir: —

On the 12th April last, I wrote you from the Deputy Minister, thus: —

"You will please report to this Department "all licences that are not taken and "paid for by the end of this month!" —

I have in compliance with this order reported that I still hold your licence in my possession and that I expect you will apply for and pay for it by the 15th instant. —

I may candidly tell you that the Deputy Minister further instructed me: —

"The fees on such licences must invariably be paid in advance and no one allowed to fish until the full fee is paid." —

It only now remains for me to carry out the orders of the Deputy Minister. —

I am, Yours Respectfully,

Dem: Long $25.00 — John Wilson — P.O. —

Eagle, P.O. Office, Ont.

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Mem: for S. O. Ernest Esqre
Fisheries Department,
Ottawa, Ont.

My report on the River Thames, Fishways and 9 dams, goes from here this day to The Deputy Minister. — From London, to Ruthey Mills, in the Township of Dereham the North Branch of the River Thames is a splendid stream: rock bottom nearly all the way. —

I send you a Note I received from Mr. C. A. Ermatinger, Conservative candidate East Elgin, at the late Election: making enquiries as you will see about Captain Alexander McBride, What answer shall I give Mr. Ermatinger. — —

My Knee is improving and my lameness - will I hope be soon a thing of the past. — Yours respectfully: —
John Wilson.
Fishery Overseer.

Hamilton, Ont.
5. May 1887.

Hamilton, Ont.
5. May 1887. —

My dear Sir. —

On the 12th April last, I wrote you from The Deputy Minister thus: "You will please report to (me) this Department all licenses that are not taken "and paid for by the end of this month."

I have in compliance with this order reported that I still hold your license in my possession and that I expect you will apply for and pay for it by the 1st instant. — I may tell you confidentially that the Deputy Minister, further instructed me "The fees on such licenses must invariably "be paid in advance and no one allowed "to fish until the full fee is paid". — —

It only now remains for me to carry out the orders of the Deputy Minister. — —

I am, Yours respectfully
John Wilson.
F.O.

Daniel Patterson Esqre
Aldborough, C. office.

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Hamilton, Ont. –

6. May 1887. –

My dear Chief! –

The wild Turkey Gobbler arrived by express, and for which I sincerely thank you. –

I have made my report and sent it to The Deputy Minister on the 30th April. – It comprised 13 pages of Foolscap paper. As you will be perhaps longing to know what notice I took of you and your Division in my report – I give you the words verbatim thus: Mr. John Crotty's division extends from Chenaux dam, to Louisville bridge, and he accompanied me over his division and back to Hamesville station of the G. T. Railway: – inspected Mr. John Ferguson's saw mill at Hamesville, situated on the river bank, and although one million Feet, B.M. measure, is sawed there annually, – not a particle of saw dust is permitted to enter the River Thames. – – – Except one fishway, (out of 9) I condemned

all the rest of the Fishways on the River Thames and I recommended, regarding Bepworth dam, that proceedings be taken against James Griffith & Bro: – for constructing a dam for speculation purposes; and not for milling purposes; which debar and obstruct the passage of fish in River Thames, to, and from their accustomed resorts in said river for spawning and increasing their species. I recommend a large supply of Pickerel fry being distributed and planted in the rapids below Bepworth dam if on hand at the Hatcheries. – And to continue the same yearly, for next four years. – This I find is necessary because there are this year 25 licensed seines and 6, dip nets fished under licenses in River Thames! – I recommend that you will be pleased to appoint Overseer McCann and Crotty's divisions. – And I recommend that you will be pleased to furnish the Rothwell division with a Boat and a pair of oars. It will enable the local Overseer there, Mr. John Crotty Jr. to be more active and

efficient in the discharge of his duties amongst the fishermen: - "The Moravian Indians and white men!" - fishing being carried on both sides of the River Thames, in his division. —

I said all I have present to you and a good deal more in my report: and I wound all up thus:- - - I met no person during my inspection to complain of the Overseers in charge of the River Thames. - They had inspected their respective divisions on the river before my arrival there on the 18th instant. —

So far as protecting the fish in the River Thames: "Bass and Trikend" - during "Close Seasons": I believe these officers discharge their duties faithfully. . . . In conclusion I said: - I beg to report that local Overseers Peter McCann, of London and John Crotty Jr. of Rothwell, accompanied me on my inspection over their respective divisions!!.

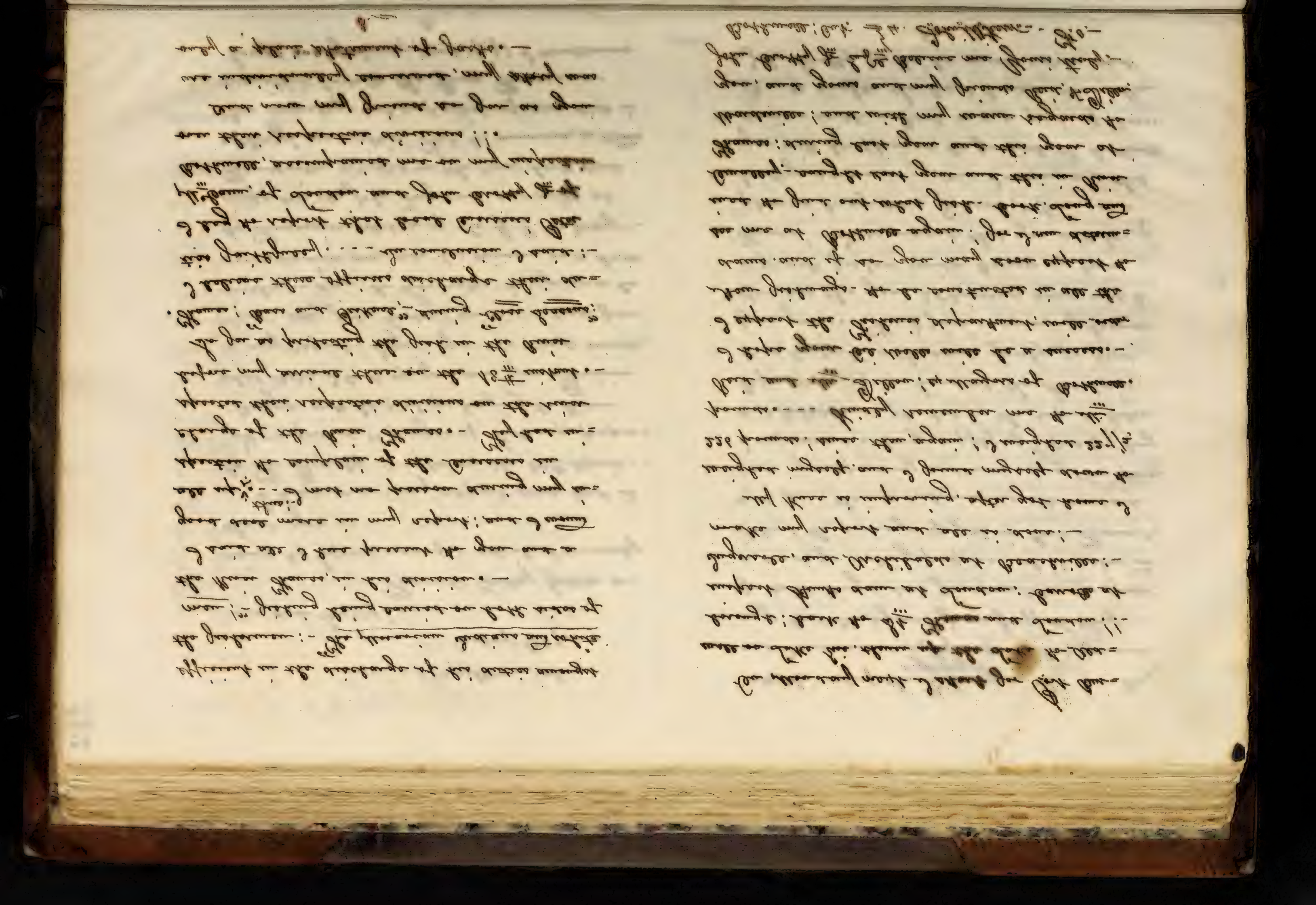
And now my friend so far as you are individually concerned, my story was only a plain statement of facts. —

8. —

On Monday next I start for Port Burwell on Lake Erie, thence up the Lake to Aldborough! back to St Thomas and London!!. - inspect Hunts dam at London; Carrolls at Ingersoll, and Archibalds at Beachville: - make my report and all is done! —

My Knee is improving, after got home I weighed myself, and I found myself down to 226 pounds! since then, again! I weighed 227½ pounds. - - - Kindly remember me to Mr Reid and Mr Dillon! ex Mayors of Rothwell. I hope your Eel Walls will be a success. - I expect the Fisheries department, will order New fishways - to be constructed in all the dams, and if so you may soon expect to see me at Rothwell again! for I am determined to find out what fish - Cork, Long and Cavalley - caught last year and this in River Thames: during last year and this year at Wardsville! and with my warm regards to you, and yours and my friends Reid, & Dillon, John Crotty Jr. Esq. Believe me Yours truly, —

Rothwell; Oct. 24. John Walker - F.O. —



Hamilton! Ont. –
5. May 1887.–

Sir, –

In continuation of my report to you of 30th of April last, having called on Overseer Peter McCann, for more tangible proof, that fish went up the River Thames over the Cashmere dam! he has furnished me with the enclosed Sketch, which appears to me very satisfactory. – –

When I examined the Cashmere dam on the afternoon of the 18th of April last, I remarked to Overseer John Crotty, that I then saw nothing to prevent fish going up and over the brush dam as shown on the sketch. – –

I saw the Flume but I could not see the Gate 3' feet by 5' feet, from the fact that it is at the bottom of the River! then very high: –

Here follows, what Overseer McCann writes to to me on the subject: thus! ... "I wish to tele you about the Dam at Cashmere, as there has always been a good deal of talk about it by people that do not know the dam well?" – –

"There is no dam in the Province with the same facilities for allowing the fish to pass, as the much abused one of which I send you a sketch?" – "On this point I am willing to leave it to the decision of any disinterested and competent persons?" – "I also intend sending a sketch and a report of the dam to the department?" – "I did not know until yesterday that you were not shown the Gate in the flume?" "It is at the bottom of the flume as low as the bottom of the dam?" – "It is 3' feet wide by 5' feet high and has to be kept open to form a current to carry away the fine sand which would fill up the flume if the gate was closed?" –

Hamilton! Sept. —

Sir, — 5. Mary 1887. —

In continuation of my report to you of 30 ⅌ of Opal Soft, having called on Dawson Potter Esq. for more tangible proof that Parkinson supp the Liner "Thames over the Seahouse dam! he has furnished me with the enclosed affidavit, which appears to me very satisfactory. —

When I examined the Seahouse dam on afternoon of the 18 ⅌ of Opal Soft, I remarked to Dawson John Bentley, that I then saw nothing to prevent fish going up and over the head dam as drawn on the affidavit. —

I saw the "Thames" but I could not see the flute 3' feet by 3' feet, from the fact that it is at the bottom of the liner! then very high: —

Were fellows, what Dawson Esq. wrote to me on the subject: thus: "I wish to tell you about the dam at Seahouse, as there has always been a good deal of talk about it by people that do not know the dam well?" —

"There is no dam in the Province with the same facilities for allowing the fish to pass, as the usual abuse are of which I send you a sketch?" — In this point I am willing to bear it to the decision of any disinterested and competent person?" — I also without sending a sketch and a report of the dam to the Department?" — "I did not know until yesterday that you were not shown the flute in the flume." "It is at the bottom of the flume as low as the bottom of the dam?" — "It is 3' feet wide by 3' feet high and has to be kept open to prevent a current to carry down the fine sand which would fill up the flume if the gate was closed?" —

"The Mullet were coming down over the dam yesterday not having spawned, because as the fishermen say; the water is falling?"---

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I send you the sketch - which fairly represents the Dam! the Mill, &c. with all their surroundings.---

I may here report that Hunts dam, is built on the south branch of the River Thames, between the City of London and the Township of Westminster.--- In the course of one week from this, I will report on the South Branch of the River Thames, between Hunts dam, and Woodstock, a distance of about 31 miles from London.-

Mr Peter McCann, is Overseer of the South Branch.

Respectfully Submitted!-

I Have the Honor to be.-

Sir!-

Your Obedient Servant.-

John Wiker.-

Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.-
Ottawa! Ont.-

17.-

"The bullet was coming down over the town yesterday not having exploded, because as the first shell came out; the water is falling ?"---

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Have you the effect - which family re-presents the Town! the while, it. with all their surroundings. ---

I may here report that Mauts town, is built on the south bank of the River Thames, between the City of London and the Township of Wool-wich. --- In the course of one week from this, I will report on the South Branch of the River Thames, between Mauts town and Woolwich, a distance of about 31 miles from London. —

Yours Peter M'Glynn, is Engineer of the South Branch.

Respectfully Submitted! —

I have the Honor to be.—

Sir!—

Your Obedient Servant. —

The Deputy Minister. } "Statistician" —
Department of Fisheries. — } "Fishery Engineer"
Ottawa! Ont. —

Mr. Nicholas Garritt,
International Re; Hamilton! Ont.
Victoria!

7. May 1887.-

My dear Friend,
Nicholas!

I have succeeded in obtaining your licence this year for $15.- please send on the money, and I will send on receipt of same your licence. My Knee is getting much better, but very slowly!-

Our old friend, "The Right Hon. Sir John A. Macdonald" - with his administration cleaned out his Political opponents again. He has 43 majority in the House of Commons on all divisions of the House at present.

You Conservatives fought ably, for your own good man and true: Dr. John Ferguson, the worthy M.P.P. of Welland! - May his reign be long, happy and prosperous. - With warm regards - as usual. Yours Sincerely,-

William H.

Hamilton! Ont

7. May 1887.-

My dear Francis!-

I have succeeded in getting your licence this year, for $15.- please send on your money, and I will send to you, your licence. --

I hope you are all well. My Knee, I am glad to tell you is getting better.

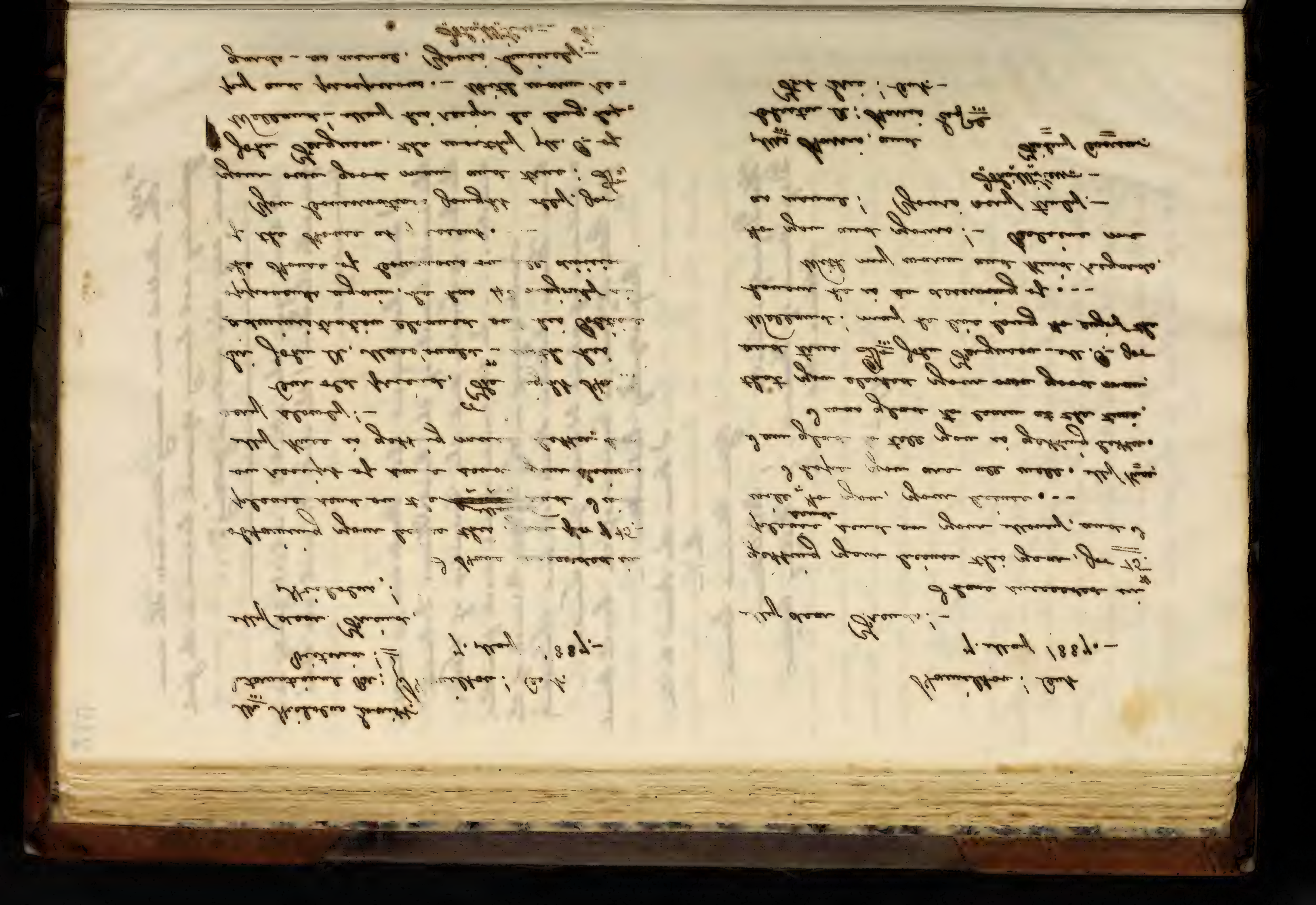
I was glad to learn at the time, that you elected your own good man, and true Dr. John Ferguson M.P.P. for Welland! may he live long to enjoy the honour he is so deserving of. --

With my warm and kind regards, to you and yours! - Believe me as usual! Yours very truly,-

William H.

Mrs Harris, and
Chester A. Harris Esq.
Fort Erie! Ont.-

Sidney Carson.



Hamilton! - Ont, -

7. May 1887, -

My dear Ramsay! -

In addition to what I have already wrote to you! or written to you; I may now send you, copy of further instructions I received from the Deputy Minister, Department of Fisheries - Ottawa, regarding Pound, Net licenses in Lake Erie! thus:

"The fees on such licenses must invariably paid in advance, and no one allowed to fish until the full fee is paid."

Thus you see my orders are imperative, and until you comply with these orders you cannot fish. -

You still owe. $40.- on last years licenses! $30.- on Pound nets, - and $10 - on Gill net licenses! and although you pledged your word of Honour, last winter, here in my House, still you have not yet paid me one cent on account of it. -- Your word you have broken

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to me again and again. -

And you may fairly see that I can never place any more confidence in you. -

Last years Balances due! - - - $40.00 c.
License for 2; Pd Nets, for 1887. „ 100.00 c.
Total. - $140.00 c.

When you remit to me this amount, I will apply for and recommend you to The Deputy Minister, for a license to fish 2 pounds nets during this current year! as all other Pd Net fishermen have done. According to the orders I have received from the Fisheries department. I stand firm and fast!! and nothing but the $140.- can make any change in me! -

To do what you want me to do! - would be instant dismissal, and as I am not prepared for this - I have spoken out to you my mind on the subject.

And these are the only terms by which you can fish during this current year of 1887. -

J. W. Ramsay Esqre, Yours Fraternally! -
Low Banks or Buffalo. 2. John W. Kerr - F.O. -

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Hamilton, C.W. –
7th May 1857. –

My dear Sir. –

Will you be pleased to send me six Hives, with sections complete, as my Bees 5 swarms are very strong, working well and I expect to have swarms during this month perhaps during the first blow. – –

The swarm I got from you last year is doing well: it put out no swarm last year; I expect 3 swarms from it this year, and if the first comes early, – I expect a virgin swarm. – – I lost 3 swarms during the winter. – Don't fail in sending me the hives &c. and the other six – you can send me soon after! your money will be ready. –

I hope Mrs Campbell, and family are all well! please kindly to remember me to them! and with kind regards to you, and yours! believe me! Yours truly! –

Alex Robertson Esq. M.D. — J. H. Wilkes –
Cragsmoor! Carlisle, C.W. – Ont. –

Hamilton! – C.W. –
7th May 1857. –

My dear Sir! –

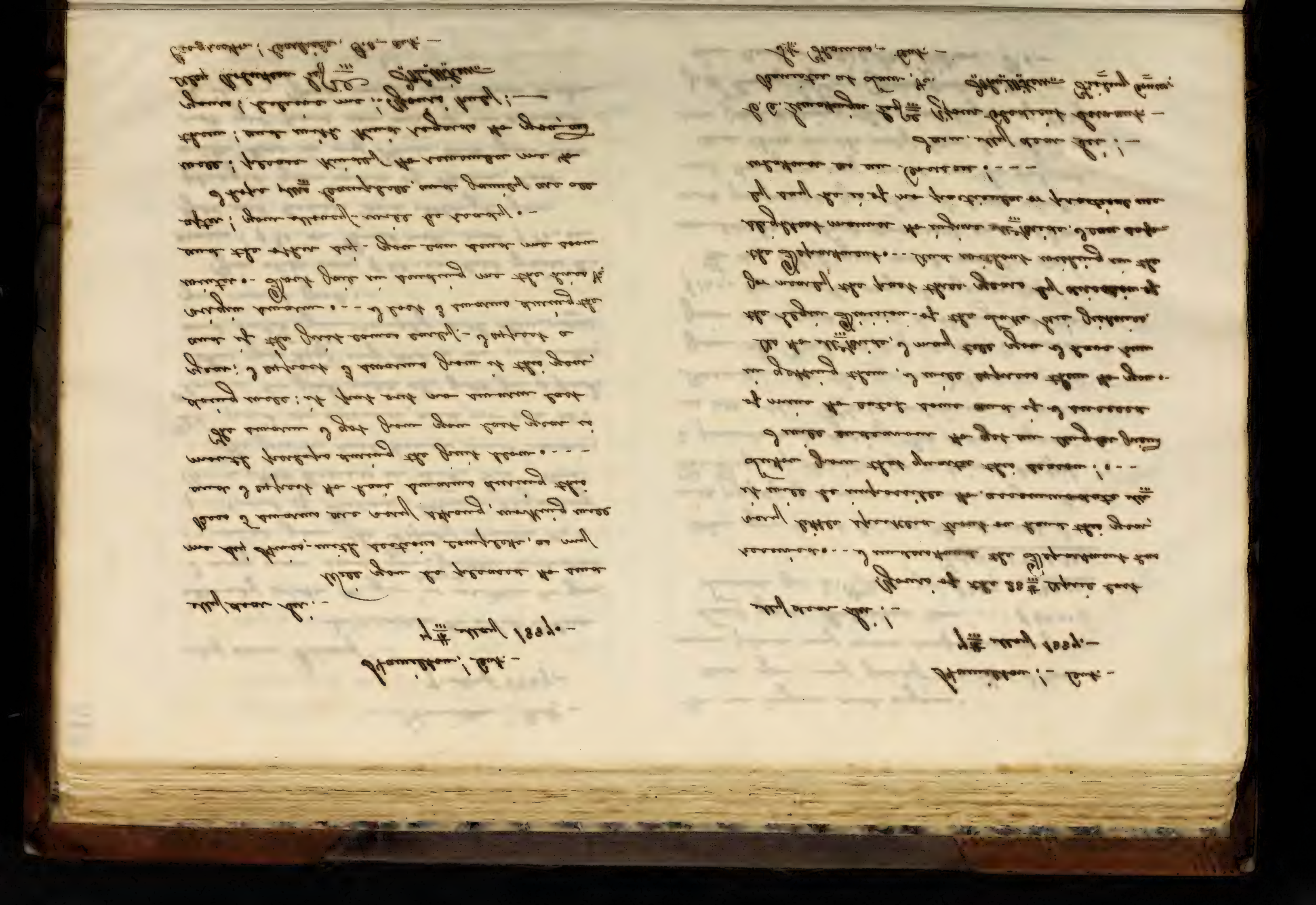
Yours of the 28th April last received. – I understand the Department has very little speckled trout on hand this year, it will be impossible to accommodate Mr Luton from that quarter this season! – –

I will endeavour to get an Angler friend of mine to catch some and if I succeed in getting them, I will express them to you. –

As to Mr McBride, I may tell you I have been the Elgin Division of the Lake Erie fisheries, for nearly the past three years by direction of the Department. – And without wishing in the slightest manner to injure Mr McBride, I can safely say he is of no particular or practical use whatever as an Officer! – – –

I am, My dear Sir! –

C. C. Ermatinger Esq. M.D. — Your Obedient Servant –
Barrister at Law, &c. — J. H. Wilkes – Fishery Overseer,
St. Thomas, – C.W. –



Peter McCallum Esqre
Fishery Overseer! — Hamilton! Ont. —
London! Ont. — 9. May 1887. ---

My dear Sir, —

Your kind favour of the 4th inst. was duly received! and I thank you for the same. my report of 30th April last, on Cashmere dam, is in accord with the contents of your letter to me, which I sent to the department with your sketch.

My impression was, after I saw Cashmere dam, heard all Overseer John Crotty — and Adoram Bevingham could tell me! and which was finished up by you: That the Cashmere dam cannot be improved upon. — and so I reported to the department. — As regards The Byron dam! and the make shift fishway which you condemned! I reported that the dam was repaired only for speculation purposes, that there was no intention of building a mill there. — Bought for $1.000. — by J. Griffith & Boy, — who repaired the dam! and now want $7.000, from The Water Works, belonging to the Corporation of your City! &c. for the dam! —

I finished up this dam in my report, thus:

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"Or proceedings might be taken against Griffith, and Boy. — "For constructing a dam across the River "Thames at Byron! which debars and obstructs "the passage of fish to, and from their accustomed "resorts, in the waters of said River Thames, for "spawning and increasing their species!!. —"

"Read sub section 5. of section 13. of the Fisheries Act". — "What say you! to this." —

In your letter to me of the 4th instant, containing so much important information! I find you omitted Clover Mills, J. M. Barnard, altogether: — I took it for granted these mills are in Missouri!!. — Well I may candidly tell you, that by your aid and assistance supplemented by my own personal observation: I sent The Deputy Minister, Department of Fisheries, Ottawa! 17 pages of a report written on Foolscap paper! — And I said moreover that you had also charge of the South Branch of the Thames from London to Woodstock! —

I recommended that a large supply of Pickerel fry, be planted in the rapids below Byron

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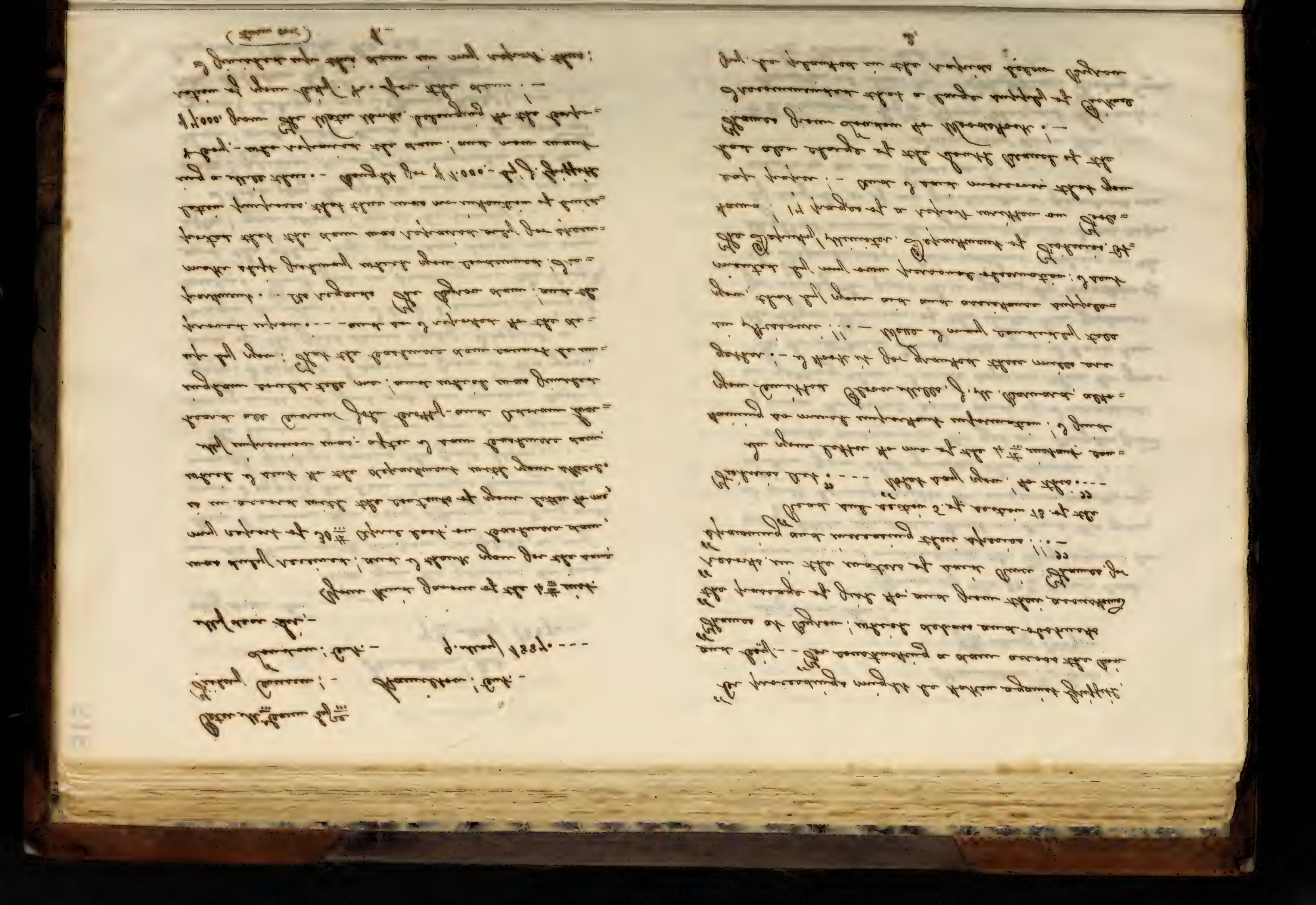


dam, from the Fish Hatcheries; and to continue the same for the next four years: giving my reasons! —

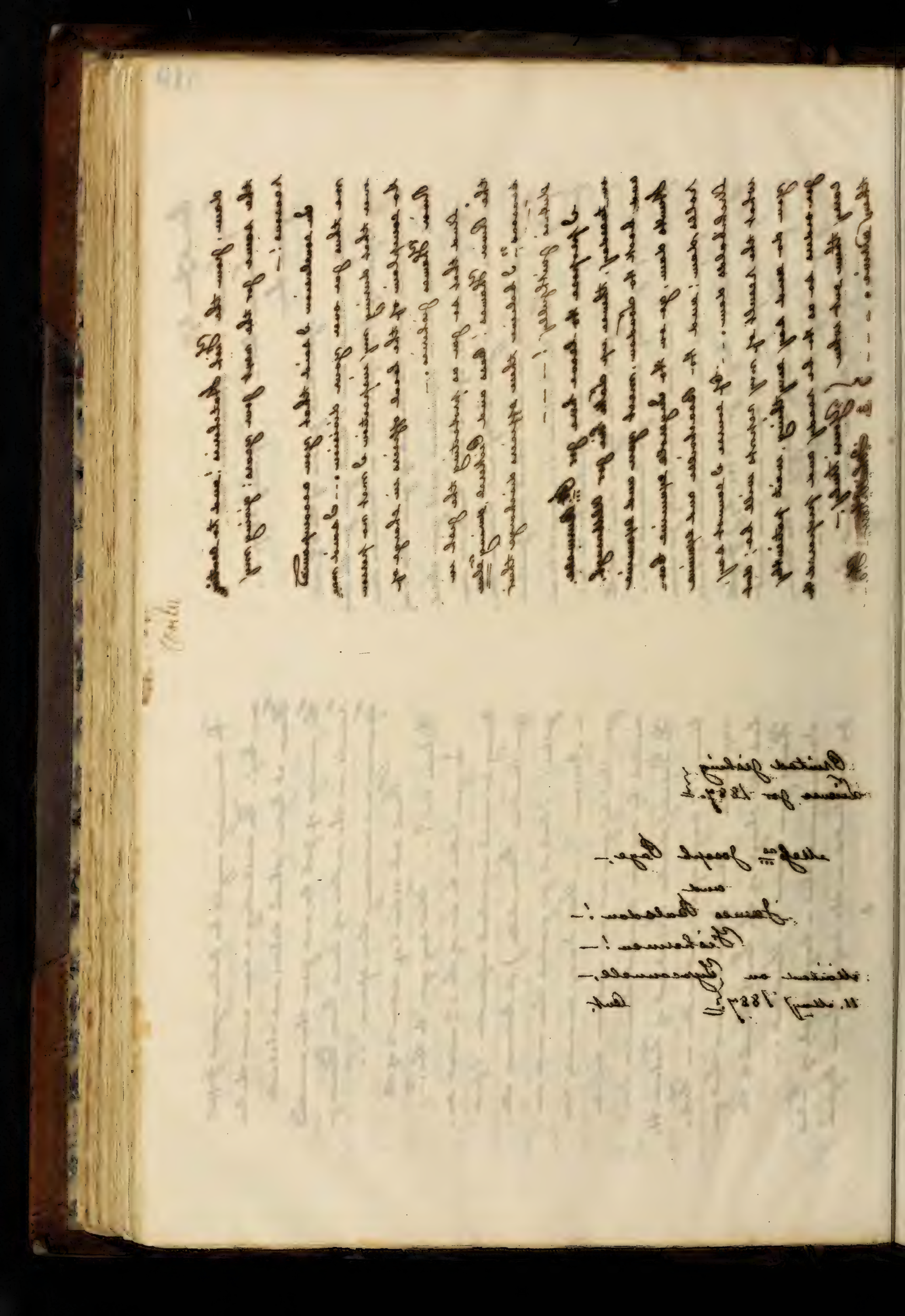
In conclusion I said that you accompanied me thus far over your division. — I said moreover that during my inspection I met no person to complain of the local officers in charge of River Thames fisheries. —

And that so far as protecting the fish in the River Thames! Bass and Pickerel, during "close seasons"; I believe these officers discharge their duties faithfully! — — —

I propose to leave here for Mr. Burwell, on tuesday, thence up Lake Ice for Oldtown, and back to London, meet you and examine Mills dam, go on to Dunville examine Barrolls dam; and to Brantford and examine Archibalds dam. — Of course I cannot say, what the result of my reports will be; but you do and say anything, wait patiently for orders so as to be ready and prepared to carry them out when there arise. — — — { Yours truly, — J. [illegible]

Printed fishing licence for 1887.

Mr. Joseph Page, — and James Belden! — Fishermen! — Chippewa — Niagara, — 11. May 1887. Cert.



W. G. Emery Esqre
Merchant. — &c. Hamilton! Ont.

Port Burwell, Ont. 8. May 1887. — —

My dear Mr. Emery. —

Your kind favour received: — I will be with you in Port Burwell some day this week! — And then we will talk Politics, Round Mels. &c. &c. &c. — &c as the song goes! Let the Farmer praise his grounds, Let the Huntsman praise his hounds! — Let them boast of the deeds they have done, done, done! — But we will go to Killala without stocking or a shoe! — and we'll take it on our little Cruikean lawn, lawn! —

Here things come in to my mind since I commenced to write, and so I send them to you and spin them out as they come! —

I suppose Mr. McBride voted and worked against the C. O. Hematinger! for I got a letter from Mr. Hematinger! thus: "What duties does Capt. McBride perform here, is it worth while for the Department to continue him in office?" —

To this I replied, and I did not leave a tooth on it! — thus: — "As to Mr. McBride, I "have run the division for nearly the past three "years, by directions of the department, and "without wishing in the slightest manner to "injure Mr. McBride, I can safely say he is of no "particular nor practical use whatever as an "Overseer." — —

You may now see how things are moving, except, to tell Mrs. Emery, — dont say a word to any body else about this! — In consequence of the protest entered against Col: D. Riddell, the changes and arrangements made have been delayed for the present. — And so I suppose your business is delayed! —

We will talk over everything when I come up! — I spent 6 days — on the Thames River — dams — inspection: made a report of 17 pages of foolcap. — and I have the south Branch — from London to Woodstock, — to go over yet, — I hope you are all well, Kindly remember me to Mrs. Emery, — and to my kind young friends your children: we are all well, and with kind and warm regards — I am

(2) Yours faithfully — J. H. Kew. — J. P.

Hamilton! Ont. –

My dear Mason! – 13. May 1887. – – –

The Deputy Minister. Department of Fisheries. Ottawa: has Telegraphed me thus: "Give Daniel Patterson what you may think a reasonable time to pay his License fees!" –

12. May 1887. – – Signed! John Tilton.
D. M. F. –

In obedience to these instructions to me given! I now give you until the 15th day of June next, for to pay me License fee $100.– for two Pound Nets. which are to be fished by you during this current year! –

On receipt of this commence and fish and be careful how you fish! –

When you make $100.– send it to me! or better still! when you have $50.– send it to me! – I have confidence in you! With Kind regards! –

Dan.l Patterson Esq. Yours truly. – John W. Kerr.
Owenwyck. –

Hamilton! Ont. –

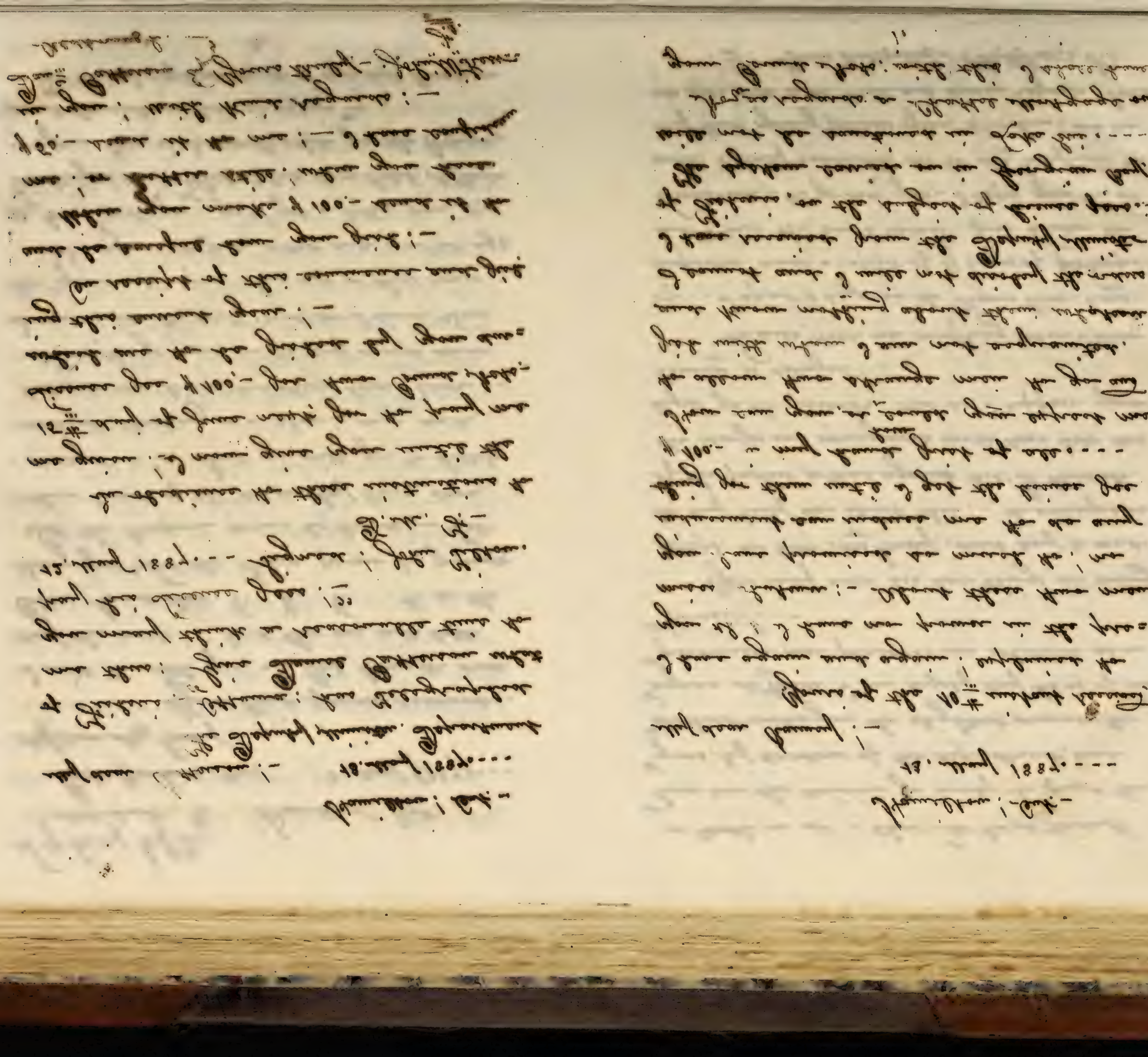
13. May 1887. – – –

My dear Ramsey! –

Yours of the 10th instant received. I have again and again! explained to you that! I have no power in the premises whatever: – About these two men you have promised so much to! no inducement can induce me to do any thing for them until I get the license fee $100.– in my hand first of all. – – –

How can you, or could you expect me to allow two strange men to go and fish with whom I am not acquainted. and know nothing about them whatever. I cannot and I will not disobey the orders I have received from the Deputy Minister of Fisheries, on the subject of license fees. – The system carried on in Georgian Bay. will not be sanctioned in Lake Erie. – – –

As regards a Chattel Mortgage on your Pound Nets: with this I shall have



Hamilton! Ont. —
14. May 1887. —

My dear Lang! —

I am in receipt of your letter! as I have no power in the premises myself! I will apply for you and recommend that you be given time until the 15th June next, for to pay to me Your license fees $150. — I suppose you may put in your 3 Pound Nets, — Patterson, by permission from the Deputy Minister, I have allowed him until the 15th of June next, to pay to me his license fee of 100. — for 2. Pound Nets. for this current year of 1887. —

I was at Pt. Stanley on last thursday evening, and only I got your letter would have gone on to Eagle. —

With Kind regards! —

Yours truly. —

Daniel Lang Esqre
Eagle. P. Office

John Wiker
J. O. —

nothing to say, and nothing to do! I only carry out all the orders I receive as by Law, rules and regulations of the Fisheries department. Vz.! Established! —

With regard to the Election, I dont think I should touch upon it. — — —

You are not the only person in my division of Lake Erie; that is in a tight place, and who I may tell you wanted me to allow them to fish! failing to get as I am concerned; they applied to John Tilton Esqre Deputy Minister of Fisheries — Ottawa! — who telegraphed me! you may give such reasonable time as you may think to pay his license fees! — You might try a similar course! Your own common sense will tell you by this time that I cannot interfere! — With kind regards!

Yours truly. —

J. W. Ramsey Esqre
Low Banks. —
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John Wiker
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Hamilton! Ont. –

Sir. – 14. May/1887. – –

On my arrival home here on yesterday afternoon from Port Stanley – Lake Erie. – – Having finished up my inspection of the Dams and Fishways – on the South Branch of River Thames. from Hunts dam – London. – to Architects dam – at Beachville. – – – I found your telegraph regarding Daniel Patterson. – Pound Net fisherman. at New Glasgow. township of Aldborough Lake Erie!.

I attach for your information the copy of the notification I have mailed to Daniel Patterson. on this morning. – – –

In connection with this matter I have to report that Mr Daniel Lang of Eagle. – who fishes 3 pound nets for Mr C. W. Gauthier. – of Windsor. and 3 pounds for himself. is in a similar fix. he is a sound good fellow! and I like the m he wants time to the 15th of June next. when he will pay $150. – his licence fee. for 1887. – I recommend that you will be pleased to grant Mr Lang. – what he asks for! he is a very reliable man. and a prominent political friend of George E. Casey Esqre M. P. – whose deceased father I knew 40 years ago as a friend! – – And I know Mr Casey's mother.

Then! John Ellison Jr of Port Stanley. who is busy at work expending $1,000. – on his $5.000 steamer whom I saw – on last thursday evening – with the Steamer hauled out. and 20 men at work on her! Mr Ellison. wants time until 15th June next to pay his license fee $250. – I hold his note for the amount, I recommend that you will be pleased to permit me to allow Mr John Ellison, Jr for [illegible]. – I have always found

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

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Hamilton, Ont.

Dec. 14th, 1887.

Sir,

In my annual home tax or yearly assessment for Lot Township, city this ... having finished my inspection of the Mun. and Lighthouse, on the Crystal Beach of Lake Ontario, I am thus now - at Hamilton ... I found your telegraph regarding Mr. Patterson. Must not interfere at Pelee Island. Township of Leitrim only this:

I attach for your information the copy of the notification I have sent to Mr. Patterson on this morning ...

In connection with this matter I have to request that the Mr. Jones claim of Eagle, with Pelee 3 frontage made for Mr. E.W. Gourlay, of Hamilton and 3 frontage for himself is in a similar fix. He is a recent post follow. Must I write the same to month thus to the 15th of June next, when he pays from $170. his license fee for 1887. I recommend that you write to Pelee to present Mr. Jones claim, what he asks for. He is a very respectable man, and a prominent political friend of George A. Cheney Esq. M.P. Unless I know to you as a friend. Must not I know Mr. Jones matter.

Mr. John Allison of Lot Township, who is now at work expending $1000. on his $5000 farm - the Lot Township, assessing with the Pelee Island and 20 men at work on it. Mr. Allison, asserts this until 15th June next to pay his license fee $250. I take his note for the amount, I recommend that you write to Pelee to permit me to allow Mr. John Allison, to do so. I have always found the Department liberal.

Department of Fisheries,

Ottawa, Ont.

M.

Mr. John Ellison, Jr. prompt in his fishing licence payments! backward this season because of loss and damage to his Pound Nets, - last October, and the outlay on his Steamer. - - -

Then there is John W. Ramey, - at Low Banks, township of Moulton! Moulton Bay, Lake Ont. he asks for a similar indulgence! his losses of a Boat, and damage to Pd. Nets, - was very unfortunate for him last October. - -

I recommend Mr. John W. Ramey, for your consideration. - - - This will leave $600 - for Pd. Net licence fees, still due! - I sent you for Pd. Net licences up to 30th of April last. Licence fees! for 28 Pounds at 50. each, = $1.400. - I have received this month, thus far $200, - for 4 P. Net licence fees! and there is still outstanding 12 Pound nets, at 50. each to be paid for! -

Making in all in all 44 Pd. Nets, at $50 each, amounting in licence fees to $2.200. - - for 1887. -

All of which is respectfully submitted! -

John W. Kerr. -
Fishery Overseer.

Copy! - Hamilton! Ont.
My dear Patterson! 13. May 1887. -

The Deputy Minister, Department, Ottawa has telegraphed me, thus: - - "Give Daniel Patterson, what you may think a reasonable time to pay his licence fees! -

12. May 1887. - "Signed" - John Tilton! -
D. M. F. -

In obedience to these instructions to me, I now give you until the 15th June next, for to pay me licence fee $100, for 2 pound nets, - which are to be fished by you during this current year. - On receipt of this commence and fish, and be careful how you fish. - &c. &c. &c.

Daniel Patterson Esqre.
Aldborough, - P.O. - Ont. -

Yours truly,
John W. Kerr. -
F.O. -

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Mr John Allison, Esq. Sheriff in the Justiciary Licence
Department! Instrument. This seven licences of fees and
drawing to the Sheriff Clerk, but Gaoling, and the out=
lay on his Officers. - - -

Then there is John M. Kenny, at Glen Gentle.
Township of Allwallen: Allwallen Bay. Gaelic Div. He
sells for a similar contingency! His licence of a Sheriff
and drawing to Sheriff Clerk, was very superfluous
for this last Gaoler. - -

Assessment Mr John M. Kenny for your accounta=
ction. - - This will leave £100 for Sheriff licence fees.
still due!- I want you for Sheriff licences up to 30th
of Sixty last licence fees! For 28 Licences at £5 each=
£140. I have reckoned this month, this for £200.
for 4 Gaoler licence fees! and there is still outstand=
ing 12 Licences made, at £5 each to be paid for!-
Nothing in all in all it Sheriff's, at £50 each,
amounting in licence fees to £2.200. - - for 1887.-
All of which is respectfully submitted!-

Chas. Allison.
Chairman Commissioner.

Report!- Assistant Clerk!

Glen Gentle! 18. May 1887.-

The Deputy Minister, Department, Ottawa.
has telegraphed me, thus: - - Give Dennis Gentleman, what
you may think a reasonable time to pay his licence fee!-

12. May 1887. - Respect!- John Gaoler!-
Gaoler.

In obedience to these instructions to me, I now give you
until the 10th June next, for to pay me licence fee £100.
for 2 years made, which are to be yielded by you during
this current year. - Receipt of this commence now that
one to compare how you did. - Yours &c.
Dennis Gentleman Esq.
Gentleman Esq. Glen Gentle.
Gaoler.

Hamilton! Ont. –

Sir. – – – 14. May 1887. – – –

I have the honor to send you Bank draft, No: 41. – for the sum of $133. – dollars. – – –

Will you be pleased to apply this amount for this current year! as License fees, for fishing. –

1. Chester A. Harris. Fort Erie! – "For a seine license to fish in the Niagara River, at Fort Erie, already received and delivered!" – – amount is. – $15.00 ¢. –

2. – Nicholas Everitt. – Bertie. – "For a seine license to fish in the Niagara River, fronting on the Township of Bertie, during this current year, already received and delivered!" amount is – $15.00 ¢. –

3. William Church, Tyrconnell! – "For a 9d. Net, license to fish two 9d. Nets only during this current year! each with a single "head" or "pot" in that part in of the public waters of Lake, abreast of Lots Nos: 6. 12. and 13, – South Concession Township of Dunwich" – – already received and delivered! – The amount is. – $100.00 ¢.

4. Frank Wyatt, South Township!

and boy. – – " " "For a Boat license to fish 300 Yards of Herring Gill nets, – in Lake Ontario fronting on the Township of South, during this current year"; amount $3.00 ¢.

I recommend the same. – – Total, $133.00 ¢.

I have the Honor to be, –

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

John W. Kerr,

Fishery Overseer,

The

Deputy Minister,

Department of Fisheries,

Ottawa! Ont.

Hamilton! Ont.

Sir, ... 19. March 1874. ...

I have the honor to send you herewith draft No: 41. for the sum of $133. dollars. ...

While you be pleased to apply the amount for this amount your in discharge for building.

1. Theatre Q. House. "Let this!" "For a casing license to pick in the shingles Dwn. at Ont. this. already received our debenture." - amount to. - $15.00

2. Prohibition Permit. Statis. "For a casing license to pick in the shingles Dwn. building on the Township of Stratis, claiming this amount your already received our debenture." amount to - $15.00

3. Billiard Tables. Gravenhurst! "For a Dr. pool license to pick two Dr. tables only claiming this amount your! and with a single "Dear" or "pot" in that part in of the public matters of Stratis, already of Stratis also: 6. 12. our 13. Stratis Gravenhurst township of Gravenhurst" - already received our debenture! - The amount is. - $100.00

4. Grant Hyatt, Stratis township! "For a Boat license to pick 300 pieces of throwing fish nets. - in Stratis Gutters. claiming on the township of Stratis, claiming this amount your" amount $3.00

already received the same. - Total $133.00

I have the honor to be, -

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

Mitchell Ahern

Deputy Minister of Crown Lands.

Department of Crown Lands, Toronto, Ontario! Jan.

Hamilton! Ont.-

16. May 1887.---

Sir,-

In concluding my report to you of the 30th April last, on the Dams and Fishways, &c. &c. on River Thames,

I have now the honor to report, that on thursday last, the 12th instant, I examined Hunts dam, situated on the ~~north~~ south branch of River Thames, in the City of London, and in the Township of Westminster.--

Hunts dam is about 250 feet long, and is 8 feet high, the slope from the apex of the dam is 36 feet long; an apron 10 feet long, or rather wide which connected with the plank of the slope for the length of the dam, was carried away early this spring, when the ice broke up.-

Hunts Flour-Mill, on River Thames, is situated within the City limits of London; whilst the opposite end of the dam is in the Township of Westminster.--

This Mill and property belongs to the Estate of the late Charles Hunt, and milling business is carried on by his sons Charles, and John Hunt, who manufacture the Flour, for importation.---

The fishway on this dam is 56 feet long, 6 feet wide, and 3 feet in depth: with 5 buckets, or breaks: or cross bars,- as many people call them.--

This fishway had an abundance of water passing down but the want of depth therein, was visible, which can be remedied by placing the Fishway in the dam and not upon the dam!- The ~~dam~~ Fishway has undergone some repairs recently.--I recommend the above facts, for your consideration.---

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Plews Mill! Township of London!!.-

William Plews Esqre is the Owner!.-

Plews dam is 300 feet long, is 4 feet. 6 inches high, and it is at present being repaired.--

(1.)

Hamilton, Sept.

Sir, — 16. March 1887. — —

In concluding my report to you of the 30th April last, on the Clans and Fishings, R. V. & on River Thames, I have now the honor to report that on Saturday last the 12th instant, I commenced Mauhi dam, situated on the north branch of River Thames, in the Township of Cloudy, and in the Township of Westminster. — —

Mauhi dam is about 250 feet long, and is 8 feet high; the slope from the apex of the dam is 36 feet long; the apron 40 feet long, or rather made natural connection with the plank of the slope for the length of the dam, was con=
=ject among early this spring, when the ice broke up. —

Mauhi Flow-ville, on River Thames, is situated north=
=in the Township limits of Cloudy; initial the apparent end of the dam is in the Township of Westminster. — —

The ville and property belongs to the heirs of the late Wm. Mauhi, and nothing business is carried on by the dam Mauhi, and yet that the manufactures the Flow, for importation. — —

The pathway on the dam is 36 feet long, 6 feet wide, and 3 feet in depth: with 3 buckets, or breaks: or bres bars; as many people call them. — —

The pathway has an abundance of water passing down but the want of depth therein, was possible, initial dam be remedied by placing the Pathway in the dam and not upon the dam! — The ~~[illegible]~~ Pathway has undergone some repairs recently — I recommend the above words, for your con=
=sideration. — —

Flow-ville! Township of Cloudy!! —

Millsion Flows 24th in the Power! —

Flows dam is 300 feet long, is 14 feet 6 inches high, and it is at present being repaired. — —

(1.)

The Fishway - is 30 feet long. 22" inches deep! width according to the old model. - This is a good fishway, well built, good material; and the workmanship was perfect. --

This dam is in the Townships of London and Westminster. - The River Thames, being the boundary line between these Townships - Same as Hunts mill and downstream. London.

The Mill was constructed recently, of White Brick, and it is in the Township of London! - The former Mill was burned down. -- It is 3½, miles, from the City of London to Plewes - Mill. ---

Cussacks, Mr. Cann, accompanied me to Plewes Mill, dam. -- A waste gate could be very easilly placed in the Flume at the Mill, instead of putting in a Fishway in the dam. - There is always an abundance of water being run off, from the Mill race when the Mill is not working! And it is then fish would go up the Mill race nicely and enter into the River Thames again, above the dam. ---

Mr. Cann and myself talked the matter over, and and we came to this conclusion!. -

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Carrolls Dam! 1 Mile East of Ingersole! -
Is owned by Mr. D. Carroll. - The dam is 80 feet long, 3 feet high, and is built upright of stone. --

There is a Fishway, 18 feet long, 6 feet wide and 16" inches in depth; but there is no necessity for a fishway, as the flats are overflowed annually from River Thames.-

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James Archibalds Mill and dam at Beachville. -
This is a Flour and Oatmeal Mill. ---
The dam is 70 feet long, 3 feet, 6" inches high. --
The Fishway, is 17 feet long, 3 feet deep, and width as per model. -- This fishway is constructed and made to fit in the dam which is the only proper way. -

The Chimney is 30 feet long, 22 inches deep, & width according to the other moreas. -- This is a very fashionably, well built, good mortar, but the workmanship was faulty. --

This dam is in the township of Gordon and Albermarle. - The River Thames, being the boundary line between Townships, runs as thus - on dam.

The mills was constructed recently, of white Oak, and it is in the township of Gordon. - The former mills was burnt down. -- It is 3½ miles from the town of Thames-ville. ---

Thames, alias Thamesville, accompanies me to Thames ville dam. -- It much gets cooler be very healthy place in the Thames at the mills, instead of putting in a Chimney in the dam. -- There is always an abundance of water being run off, on the mills race when the mills is not working; but it is then just usually go up the mills race briefly and enter into the River Thames again, above the dam. ---

Thames was unjustly blamed the weather over, and not we come to this conclusion. -

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Bonnell's Dam. A mills, last of August. -
As answer for Mr. Bonnell. - The dam is 80 feet long, 3 feet high, and is built upright of stone. --

There is a Chimney, 18 feet long, 6 feet wide and 16" inches in depth; but there is no necessity for a Chimney, as the flash are overflowed constantly from River Thames.

James Brodribb's mills are down at Brandville. -
This is a Thames and Delaware mills. ---
The dam is 70 feet long, 3 feet 6 inches high. --
The Chimney is 17 feet long, 3 feet deep, and width as per moreas. -- This Chimney is constructed out of wood in the dam which is the only improper way. -

"The dam is an upright structure with [illegible] of [illegible]-wood.
The River Thames, "The South Branch at this dam is pure clear water. This fishway works well, the dam was only constructed last season! — and the Fishway more recently. — The fishway requires a guard stile at the top to complete it. — —

Overseer McCann accompanied me from London to Ingersoll, and Beachville, on last Friday morning the 13th instant, when I made my final inspection. —

You have now all the facts in connection with Mills, and Mill dams, and Fishways before you; on the River Thames, and the North and South Branches! — which I hope will prove satisfactory. — —

The North Branch of River Thames, from London to Woodstock, 4 miles east of Beachville, is 31 miles, by railway, much longer by the River Thames. — —

This branch of the Thames, runs through the townships of London, Westminster, North and South Dorchester, East Yarra, and North Oxford. — I was informed by several persons, that Green Bass, Rock, Bass: Pike Mullet, Suckers and Catfish are numerous and plentiful in this ~~north~~ south branch of River Thames. —

Local Overseer, Peter McCann, is in charge of this Branch of the Thames, from London to Woodstock. — —

In conclusion I may report that it strikes me very forcibly! That fishing is carried on to excess in the River Thames, below the Town of Chatham! in Local Overseer, Timothy McQueen, division of river Thames, within a space of about 20. miles. — Eighteen or 20. Seines, fishing continually day and night, (for each seine has 2 crews.) — with the crews relieved from 1st of January to the end of March, in each year; is too severe on the fish.

3.

The town is an upright structure, built of wood, the River Thames, [illegible] at this town is five feet [illegible] gushing north west, the town necessarily constructed last season. — but the Gulchong more recently ... The Gulchong requires a quick tide at the top to supply it ...

Thomas M^c^Dowe accompanied me from Gunbar to Gunyarra, and therefore, on last Friday morning at 10 A.M. without rather a parade and final inspection. —

You have now all the facts in connection with Gilbie, and Gilbie town, and Gulchong before you; on the River Thames and the North and South Branches. — which I hope will prove satisfactory. —

The North Branch of River Thames, from Gunbar to Wheatsheaf, 4 miles east of Beechworth, is 31 miles by road, most longer by the River Thames. —

The branch of the Thames, runs through the township of Gunbar, Wattlemeter, North and South Chesbater, East Flora, and North Eyrat. — I was informed by various persons, that Green Gum, Red, Gum: The Wattle, Gunbar and Eaglehawk are numerous and plentiful in this north branch of River Thames. —

Good Country. Gets M^c^Dowe, is in charge of this branch of the Thames, from Gunbar to Wheatsheaf. —

In conclusion I may report that it strikes me very forcibly: that gold is, cannot be expected in the River Thames, below the town of Gilbie, in Good Country, Eaglehawk M^c^Dowe, division of River Thames, within a space of about 20 miles. — Eaglehawk or 20" Gunbar, Gulchong and usually dry one night. for each time the 2 Gunbar — with the same reference from 1st^st^ of January to the end of August, in each year; is to be seen on the field.

A great change since I made my first report for the Fisheries department about "8 years ago" - on the Fisheries of the River Thames, - And when I whacked the Jew fisherman fishing there then into line made them take out licenses, pay for the licenses and obey the fishery laws. - - -

It was reported to me recently while making my inspection; that Gill nets are set within 100 rods of the mouth of River Thames, under the Ice, in Lake St Clair which catches a great many fish, cutting off the run on their way out of the Lake in to River Thames. -

During last winter and the early part of this spring, McQueens, ~~fishery~~ was only taxed by fishing to the extent of $3.10, ~~also~~ per list of licensed fishermen, attached herewith. - - -

A regulation should be devised by you, to curtail the excessive fishing that has been carried on. - - - I recommend the same for your personal observation. - - To stop some of these 18 Seines fishing - from fishing; whilst permitting others to fish on! might look like favouritism. - Better curtail the time one month, at least, after Ice forms on River Thames; in McQueen's division; nearly all the Seine fishing is carried on, by hauling under the Ice; at the same time to stop all fishing up as far as Cashmere dam, making the same to agree in space of time with McQueens division.

Respectfully Submitted! -

John W. Kerr. -

Fishery Overseer.

P.S.

I omitted to tell you that Cashmere Mill is constructed and built on 18' Jack piles, and was partly submerged this spring. - A second Waste gate in the dam might answer every purpose in addition to the present facilities already there for fish ascending River Thames. -

J. W. Kerr, - F.O.

4.

A great change since I wrote my first report for the Fishery department about 48 years ago — as the Fishers of the River Thames, due when I authorise the Gin-fishermen fishing there then with line more than twelve net licences, for the licences are not only the fishing lines. — —

My wife requested to respectfully write nothing my in-
quiries: that fifty nets are set within 100 yards of the
mouth of River Thames, under the sea, in depth of the
water betokes a great money fish, nothing off the low
water then wary out of the depth in the River Thames. —

During last winter over the only part of this opening
appears, that ... was only taken by fishing to the
extent of £3.10.— per licence fishermen at
Herne Bay. — —

A regulation should be drawn by you, to en-
tail the grossness fishing that has been carried on. — —
I recommend the same for your personal observa-
tion. — The stop seine of these 18 lines fishing-gear
fishing; whilst permitting others to fish on! might be
like prosecutions. — Better control the time are merely
at least after the forms on River Thames. in appears
division: merely see the lines fishing is carried on,
by throwing under the sea; at the same time to stop
the fishing up as far as Teddington lock, marking the
same to agree in space of time until appears division.

Respectfully submitted: —

Fishing Inspector.

P.S.

I visited to see you that Teddington while in con-
structed and built on 18 feet piles, and was fearfully
submerged this opening. — It seems there gate in the
dam might answer every purpose in addition to the
present possibilities for fish ascending River Thames. —
already stop

Fishery. &c.

4.

Names of Fishermen, licensed to fish, in Local Overseer, Timothy McQueen, Division of River Thames, during current Year 1887.-- Showing Total amount of Fish caught up to the 14th April last. - - -

No:	Names of Fishermen.	Amount caught. --		Local Division! - Between Louisville & Lake
1.-	Joseph Larch.- Senr.	$ 77.	00¢.	Lot 12. Dover West.-
2.-	Joseph Pettier.-	270.	00.	Lot 7.- Tilbury East.-
3.-	Alexander Pettier.-	230.	00.	Lot 6. Dover West.-
4.-	Andrew Scram.--	220.	00.	Lot 5. Tilbury East.-
5.-	Richard Fullerton.-	70.	00.	Lot 3. Dover East.-
6.-	Samuel Raynell.-	110.	00.	Lot 1. Dover West.-
7.-	John Autaya.-	18.	00.	Lot 1,- T.- Raleigh.-
8.-	Richard Reaume.-	10.	00.	do.- do,- do.-
9.-	Charles Daquindre.-	300.	00.	Lot 4. Dover East.-
10.-	Robert Williams.-	320.	00.	Lot 7. T.- Raleigh.-
11.-	A. Johnston.-	100.	00.	Lot 8. T. of Dover.-
12.-	Julius Crow.-	425.	00.-	Lot 10. Dover East.-
13.-	John M. Glasco,	436.	00.	Lot 23.- do!- do!-
14.-	F. G. Charto,-	70.	00.	Lot 3.- T. Chatham.
15.-	Samuel Arnold.- - -	113.	00.	Lot 7.- T. Chatham.-
16.-	Edward McKerral,	190.	00.	Lot 6.- T. Harwich.-
17.-	George McKinley,-	189.	00.	Lot 10,- T.- Chatham,
18.-	Leo Joseph Jubeuville,-	18.	00.	Lot 2.- Dover West,
	Total,- $	3166.	00¢	

The Original of this return, I received from Overseer, Timothy McQueen - on the 27th of April last. -

This return does not show excessive fishing, but the contrary! However, please turn to pages 302, and 303,- Your report of the yield of the Fisheries for year 1885,- And the catch of fish in Thames River; is placed at $22.012.- Yours respectfully.-

The Deputy Minister, Department of Fisheries, Ottawa! Ont.

Thos. Walker.- F.O.
Hamilton, 16. May 1887.-

5.

Houses of Parliament. Licenses to sell in close season.
Quarterly expenses. Division of liquor Returns. covering second
Year 1887.— Showing total amount of Fees brought up
to the 14th April last. — —

No:	Houses of Parliament.	Amount brought up.		Close Division! — Between Licensees & Police
1.—	Joseph Clark.— Inn	£ 77.	00.	Lot 12. Clover Meat.—
2.—	Joseph Cotter.—	270.	00.	Lot 7.— Tilbury Meat.—
3.—	Thompson Cotter.—	230.	00.	Lot 6. Clover Meat.—
4.—	Duncan Cameron.—	220.	00.	Lot 5. Tilbury Meat.—
5.—	Barbara Cullerton.—	70.	00.	Lot 3. Clover Meat.—
6.—	Thomas Dempsey.—	410.	00.	Lot 1. Clover Meat.—
7.—	John Dempsey.—	18.	00.	Lot 1.— Tilbury Meat.—
8.—	Barbara Drennan.—	10.	00.	do.— do.— do.—
9.—	Thomas Dempsey.—	300.	00.	Lot 4. Clover Meat.—
10.—	Robert Hillinan.—	320.	00.	Lot 7. Tilbury Meat.—
11.—	D. Johnston.—	100.	00.	Lot 8. Tilbury Clover.—
12.—	Julius Brown.—	425.	00.—	Lot 10. Clover Meat.—
13.—	John M. Greene	436.	00.	Lot 23.— do.— do.—
14.—	Th. J. Monk.—	70.	00.	Lot 3.— Th. Bethem.
15.—	Thomas Murphy.—	448.	00.	Lot 7.— Th. Bethem.—
16.—	Thomas McPherson.	190.	00.	Lot 6.— Th. Thomson.—
17.—	George McTimony.—	189.	00.	Lot 10.— Th. Bethem.
18.—	Mrs Joseph Sullivan.—	18.	00.	Lot 2.— Clover Meat
	Total.—	£3166.	00	

The figures of this return, I receive from Government
Quarterly expenses — on the 27th of April last. —
This return does not show expenses pertaining, but
the contrary! However! please turn to pages 302
and 303.— Your report of the guide of the Parliament
for year 1887.— that the total of fees in Parliament
House; is placed at £22.012.— Yours respectfully.—
The Government Minister
Superintendent of Parliament,
Parliament House! Sydney.
Parliament, 16. May 1887.—

16. May 1887.

Messrs: Jas S. P. Bassett Esqre
Fisheries department,—
Ottawa!—

Having finished my inspection of River Thames,— I can now draw my breath... The first part of the report goes to the Deputy Minister this day,— and I hope he will be satisfied... Peter McCann, whom I have personally known, since the year 1847,— accompanied me all over his division— except Cashmere dam, and having finished up my inspection on last Friday at Beachville, about 9. a. m.,— we returned back to Ingersoll,— where at noon— we parted, McCann to return to London— and your humble servant for home here....

I saw a good deal of the City of London and its surroundings, what a difference 40 years makes.—

1.

In May 1847,— London had a population of 2.500,— inhabitants, and to day it numbers nearly 40.000,— London, is a head of us— so far as Trees,— and fruit trees are concerned.— Beech trees. Oaks. Magnolias are all out in leaf in full bloom at London! and drive from London— to Paris— and from thence to Hamilton— the leaves are only coming out, we have cherry trees, peach trees, plum trees and Pear Trees! in bloom!

I put by for you last fall a Box of Honey,— and on overhauling my Box recently— I found your surplus Box of Honey,— shall I send it to you:—

It will be found nice for family use. Just say the word and off it goes for you to Ottawa!...perhaps a treat for Lady.

Charley Wilcox, I saw by London Free Press— had put 2.000. Trout fry in Spring Rockfords 3½ miles east of London— by order from the department

2.

16. July 1847. —

Athens: Sir G. C. Lewis's Dispatch.

Athens! —

Morning spirits and expectations of Dear Athens! — I am now alive and heart. — The gloomy part of the re- part goes to the Deputy Minister this day! — But I hope he will be satis- fied. — Peter Pelham, when I have personally thrown, since the year 1847. — Accompanied me all over his division — speak handsome. Gen. and Morning spirits up and expecta- tion on last Friday at Beaconsfield.

About 9 a.m. we returned back to Lagnano — where at noon — we partook Pelham to return to London — and yes humble account for home here. — —

I am a good deal of the kind of London and its accompaniments, with a difference to green meadows.

In July 1847 — London has a pop- ulation of 2.370,000 inhabitants, and the- at number nearly 60.000 — Imagine a- have of us — so far as these come but trees are concerned. — Dead trees. Bits. Hedgeles are all cut in half in Bucks. Green at London! and above green London — to Bois — and green Hamilton — the leaves are only coming out, we have almost trees, peach trees, plums trees and lilac trees! in Bloom! I just lay for you fat pole a day of thing — and an enchanting and beautiful — I found your enjoyment of thing — which I have it to you: It will be found more for family use. Just say the most and off it goes to you to Athens! — perhaps a text for Sunday Without! I am for London this Week — but part 2.000. Stand for in Spring Buckinghamshire 5 miles west of London — for water from the deposits

Dead he gave more fry - to some other person - for a private pond. —

Spring Creek ponds, - are the property of the Corporation of London. —

On thursday last, I saw a telegram addressed to "The Agent of G. T. Ry - Hamilton," to say he would be in Hamilton - by the afternoon train - with fry, -

Parker was here on the 3rd instant, with 9 cans of white fish fry, 2,000,000. I accompanied him to B. Creek, and planted them in Lake Ontario. — —

I hope Charley Wilcox has not again - planted his fry in B. bay. - It is getting to be a filthy place, with sewage from the City - and the Asylum.

I hope you are well and sleep good and sound long sleeps. - Sometimes, when tired, I sleep all night. - When not tired I generally sleep to 2, and 3 a.m, then I read the Bible - or some other fashionable book. —

I hope my report will satisfy the Deputy Minister. - I would like very much, if you will get permission from the Deputy Minister, for to allow Duncan McGillivray - to make 3 sets, for white fish and Trout in B. bay, - and I will send him and report the result. —

My Race is slowly improving, it was a good thing your inviting me to come to Ottawa, it has revived my spirits, - and I feel so much indebted to you and Mrs Bancroft for your Kindness and attention to me! - and to the Deputy Minister, and your Staff. — — I am reduced 16 pounds, but I am now able to walk about, and the lameness has left me. — I had a pleasant trip on the Thames, - and oh! the Country looks splendid, delightful, - no rain! a pleasure trip it might fairly be called, God bless you all! and believe me as usual,

Yours
John W. Kerr

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[illegible]

[illegible]

Hamilton, 17. May 1887.

Memo: for S. P. Bennett Esqre
Fisheries department.—
Ottawa!—

Another object I have in view in curtailing the time by one month, each year in River Thames - between Cashmere dam, and the mouth of the River - Lake St Clair, is to give the fish an opportunity of ascending the Main Stream and branches unmolested; giving and favouring the petitioners, and giving them a chance to dangle for and catch some of them.—

With proper improved Fishways, the planting of fry in River Thames, and curtailing the time in hauling for one month, or six weeks, and you do a good thing for the fisheries of River Thames - to much fishing! too many seines - 23 seines - and a dozen of dip nets - all the time at it for 3 months, is too much, no fish no matter how plentiful can stand it.— Yours Respectfully,
(See over.) John W. Kerr. J.P.

Immediate!

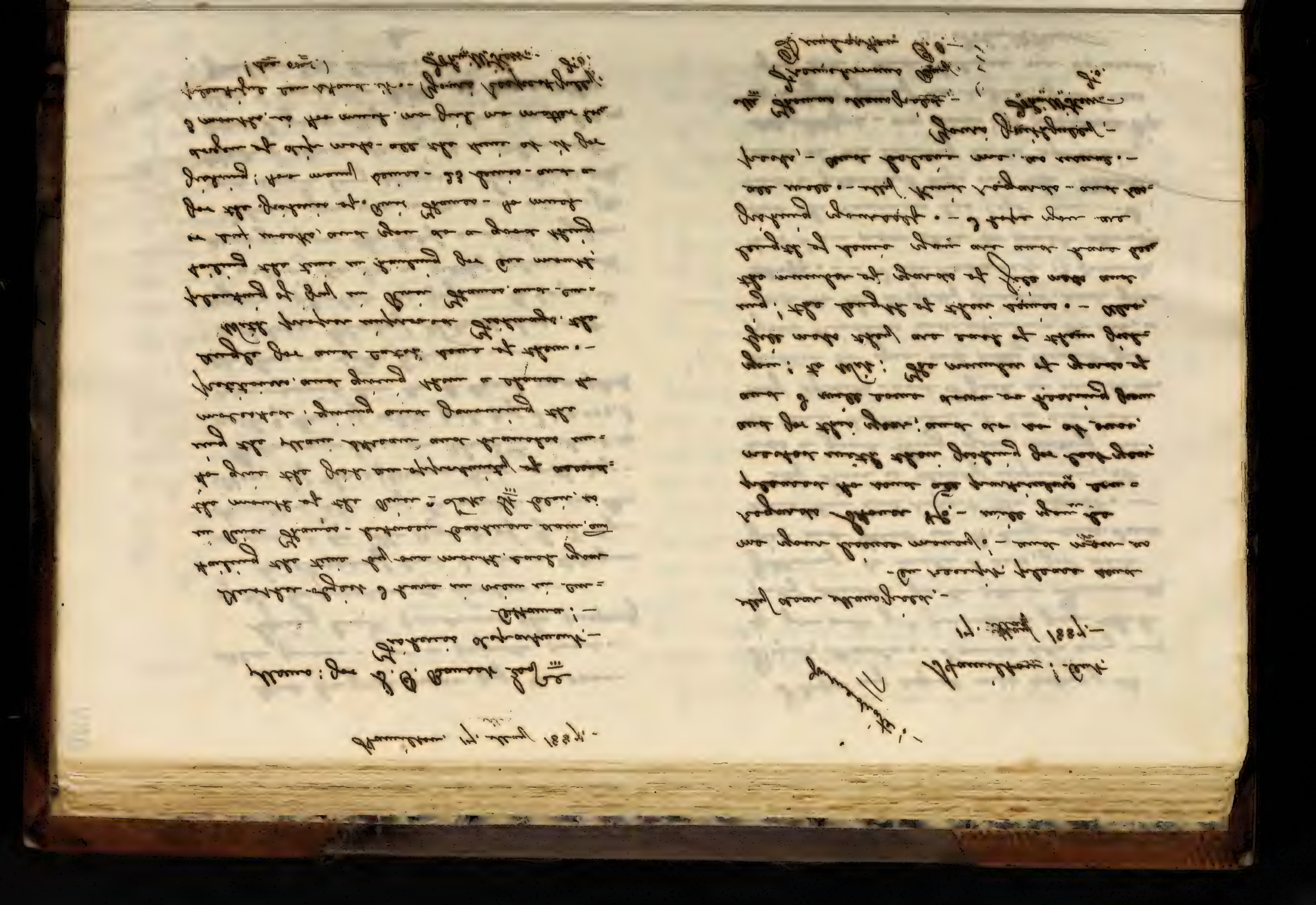
Hamilton! Ont.
17. May 1887.—

My dear Mansfield,—

On receipt, please send me your license money!— and now as regards Stouse & Co.— will you be pleased to send all particulars connected with their fishing for last year, and for this year; and do so at once, and I will come down on hearing from you: to wit; The number of yards of fyke nets they are each of them fishing! the length of their seines.— Also, the number of yards of fyke nets and length of seine you are and have been fishing yourself.— I hope you are all well.— My Kind regards and respects,— And believe me, as usual.—

Yours faithfully,
John W. Kerr.
J.P.

Mr Thomas Mansfield,—
Frenchmans Bay,
Dunbarton P.O.—



Hamilton, Ont. -
18. May 1887. -

Sir. -

I have the honor to apply to you for the licences, for the undermentioned fishermen to fish during this current year, and I recommend the same for your consideration. - - -

1. W. B. Woolland, - Port Credit, - "For a Boat licence to fish in the Public Waters, of Lake Ontario - 6,000. yards of Trout, White fish, and Herring gill nets, - in Lake Ontario, between Marigolds point, and Humber Bay." - - Amount is to be $5. -

Also the privilege of fishing a seine on the East and West - of the mouth of River Credit, in Lake Ontario 250 yards long: - amount is to be $5. -

And a Hoop Net, - in the River Credit, at Port Credit, for Cat fish: - amount is to be $5. -

Total amount will be $ - 15.00 -

2. Frank and Charlotte Reid, - Toronto Township, "For a Boat licence to fish 2,000. Yards of White fish, Trout and Herring gill nets in Lake Ontario, between Marigolds point, and the east boundary of Toronto township." - Also the privilege of fishing a Seine 300 yards long, in Lake Ontario, fronting on the Farm they occupy." - - - The total amount is to be 10.00 -

3. - August Lauts, - Sherkston, - "For a licence to fish a seine in Lake Erie, west of Point Abino - township of Bertie, during this current year." - amount only, $5.00 -

The seine is 40 yards long. - - -

I recommend the same for your consideration. - - -

I have the Honor to be,
Sir. - -
Your Obedient Servant. -
John Wilson. -
J. O. -

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont. -

Hamilton, Ont. -

18 April 1897. -

Sir, -

I have the honor to apply to you for the lease, for the unexpired portion of year, of the land in my this annual year, and I enclose the money your acceptance. - -

1. W. D. McLean. Lot Lands. "Be - that leave to pick in the Gulls Bates, of Gulls Estate - 6,000 yards of Giant White pick, and Hewing pile rocks, in Gulls Estate, between Allenyoke point and Hewing pile rocks, Hewlan Bay." Amount is to be $ 6 -

Also the privilege of putting a boom on the East Shore of the mouth of Gunn Lands in Gulls Estate 250 yards long: - amount is to be $ 5 -

Also a Log slot - in the Gunn Lands, at Cut Lands, for last pick: - amount is to be $ 5 -

Total amount sum is to be $ - 12.00 $.

2. Grant and Gilchrist Lint - Grants Generally. "Be - that leave to pick 3,000 yards of White pick Giant and Hewing pile rocks in Gulls Estate, between Allenyoke point and the east boundary of Grants Generally: - Also the privilege of putting a boom 300 yards long, in Gulls Estate, putting on the Gunn Allen reserve." - - The total amount is to be $ 12.00 -

3. Dugout Lands - Atherton. - Be - leave to pick - same in Gulls Estate of Cut Gunn - Generally of Lands; leaving the amount yours." amount only $ 24.00 $

Be same is to yards long: - -

I remain the same for your humble

etcetera. - -

I have the Honor &c.

The Deputy Minister.

Department of Fisheries. Your Obedient Servant -

Ottawa. Ont. -

Gunn Gunn -

Jo. -

Hamilton C.W.
18 May 1849.

Sir,

I have the honor to report that on yesterday I visited the Division at Hamilton belonging to the City of Toronto.

In conversation with C. L. Mills, Town Keeper there, I ascertained that he has got a 5 years lease of a 5 acre water lot in connection with a big ground, convenient thereto. The water lot is in Lake Ontario and both are held under Patent from the Local Government Toronto, to Daniel Sperry the Office Inspector.

And this being the state of affairs, Mr C. L. Mills is under the impression he has a perfect right to go and have land on this 5 acres of the Lake water of Lake Ontario purchased by Sperry to build wharfs upon, when the City of Toronto grows out there.

I believe and I have privately told Mills believing under this impression, it was giving him a little hard treatment, and on one occasion the season for building, &c.

There are five acres of a water lot in Lake Ontario are within the licensed limits of Charles Stone of Hamilton Esq. and so I apprised Mills.

I explained the licence law, with respect to filling licence, and other apparatus in the public waters of Ontario. Mills then attended to the Local Division act of the Province, passed last year in the Legislature of Toronto. But the matter ended, Mills expressing to the end a hope licence will not pass. I enquire for Mills, when Cornwall, William Hamilton, was last there, his answer was, not since last fall.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Finance,
Ottawa, Ont.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant
J. H. Wilkes
P. S.

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Hamilton! Ont. —

J. W. Ramsay Esq. — 18. May 1887, —

Low Banks, — Ont. —

My dear Sir! —

Your of the 16th instant, is received! — It is forbidden by the Ancient Land Marks, — of Freemasonry — to do what you require of me. — A Mason in the first place is bound to obey the Laws of his Country! In the second place I may candidly tell you! that I shall never mix up Freemasonry — in my business as a Fishery Overseer. — To do so, would leave me at the mercy of the most unscrupulous people on the face of this earth. — In all my travels as a man and a Mason of nearly 40 years — I have never met 2 dozen good masons in all that time. — I always try and take the advice of a good friend given me 49 years ago, thus: "place no confidence in man for if you do, he will deceive you!!" — In this

position I have tried to place myself from that day to this; and whenever I gave way to you and others — you have invariably always deceived me! —

With all their losses every Ottler, fishermen paid me last year! — amounting to $2.200, — you are the only defaulter! — and what did you promise last year; That you would pay all down before the Piles are driven, or the twine is permitted to be set; I recommend 2 Ottler Nets, single pots or heads, during this last current year to be set in Moulton Bay, at rate of $50, — per pound $100. —

And I also applied for a licence for you to fish 3,000 Yards of fine net, the amount to be $15. for past year 1886. — and the licences were granted, and I hold them in my possession, until you pay up the balances remaining due! — And in the face of all this you come back again and again with your pillaering, &c. &c. &c. pray at once so far as I am concerned.

Hamilton, Oct. —

J. W. Dunning Esq.ᵉ 18. Mary 1857.—

Dear Sir, Oct. —

My dear Sir! —

As of the 16th instant
is received. It is gratifying to the Inventor
that Atlanta, of Commencement, to be entirely
upon requests of me. — It shows in the
first place is known to what the claims of
this Country. In the second place I
may confidently tell you that I should
never rest up Commencement in my Inventi=
ness as a Faithful Servant. Do to be
would have me at the mercy of the
most unscrupulous people on the face of
this earth. — In all my travels in a man
and a Stranger of merely to yours. I have
never met I origin good means in all the
tion. — I always had our Hats the nature
of a great Point yours me 49 years ago.
thus: Follow in Englishmen in mine for if
you do to write Reason you !!?? In this

position I have their to place myself
you that day to this; our interest I
you and to you our other - you have
unanimously always Reason me: —

Will ale this Force and Hat. Yours
Price on last year: — amounting to $2,200.
you are the only Exports: our interest
you Pressure last year: That you receive
you all Know before the Office we Know
or the Force is permitted to be at Hanover=
mont & Hats, single Hats or Hands, Hanging
this Instrument year to be at in Hamilton Cap.
at Rate of $50.- per Pressure $100. —

Our Order applies for a Licence for you
to Paid 3000 Pounds of Felt not the amount
to be $15. for Front year 1856. — our Ex.
Cases more Practice, our I have then in
my Possession, with you Proof up the
Balance remaining due! — But in the Year
of ale this you come Hat agent our
agents with your Pillaressing. R. H.
Proof at our Re Que no I am Faithful.

Other fishermen being in a bad fix, Common Justice led me to recommend that they receive time until the 15th of next month to pay licence fee in full. — The Deputy Minister answers thus: — — — —

"In answer to your letter of 14th inst, I beg to state that upon your recommendation, the Department consents to John W. Ramsey, being allowed until the 15th Prospexo to pay his licence fee on his Pound Nets."

And you can allow him to fish, but retain the licence till the fee is paid. —

Now govern yourself accordingly, and try and keep your word as a Man and a Mason should always do, — and before the 15th of June next have your licence fees all paid up! — to me! ⸗

Yours truly,
John W. Kerr
J.O.

3.

Hamilton! Ont. —
19. May 1887. — —

My dear Ellison! —

On my return home here after I saw you at Mr. Stanley, this day week, — Ds the only thing I could do for you! I done it!! —

I recommended that you receive time until the 15th June next, to pay me your licence fee for this instant year; and here follows the reply I received from The Deputy Minister this afternoon! — thus:

"In answer to your letter of 14th instant, I beg to state that, that upon your recommendation, the Department consents to Daniel Lang, John Ellison Jr. and John W. Ramsey, being allowed until the 15th prospexo, to pay the licence fees on their Pound Nets! — So govern yourself accordingly, — and let me have your licence fee of 250, before the

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time arrives. – I return the signed note – blank – the present arrangement is best. – Now I recommend you to be punctual. – Unless you are you bring an old House on my head. –

I hope you will catch abundance of fish – and do well and make good Markets. – The deputy Minister further tells me thus;

P.S. "You can allow them to fish, but retain the licenses till the fees are paid." –

We have all to be very particular! – And believe me! –

Yours paternally –

John Wilkes –

J.P.

Captain John Ellison, – &c

Port Stanley, –

Ont.

2.

Daniel Lang Esqre Eagle, C.S. Ont,

Aldborough! Hamilton! Ont. – –

My dear Lang! – 19. May 1857. –

In continuation of my letter to you of the 14th instant, I am now in a better position than I was at that time. – In reply to my application and recommendation the Deputy Minister, writes me thus: – – "In answer to your letter of the 14th instant I beg to state that upon your recommendation, the Department consents to Daniel Lang being allowed until the 15th proximo, (June) to pay the licence fee on his Pound Nets?" – And a P.S. added reads! –

You can allow him to fish, but retain the licence, till the fees are paid. Govern yourself accordingly! } Signed John Wilkes, D. M. of Fisheries. –

Now you have got what you asked for, May you catch abundance of fish and get a good market for them. – With kind and warm regards! Yours truly, –

John Wilkes J.P. –

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time arrives. – I return the enclosed note – Blunt – the present arrangement is best. – When I recommend you to punctuate. – Unless you are going on the chase on my hence. –

I hope you will total abstinence of fish – and do not make good abstinence. – The deputy administer further tells me this:

G.G. You can allow him to fish but return the licences till the fees are paid. –

He has no ear to be merely particular! – Just believe me! –

Yours faithfully –

[illegible] –

Rajahmundry 5th March. G.G.

Blunt – Blunt – Blunt –

Dear Sir – I am sorry to be compelled to open your letter of the 14th instant, I am now in a better position than I was at that time. – In reply to my application and recommendation the deputy administer writes thus: – "In answer to your letter of the 14th instant I beg to state that upon your recommendation the Government forwards to Gunnel Gong being allowed until the 15th previous (June) to pay the licence fee on his Cosmo photo" – Just a G.G. orders leads! –

You can allow him to fish but return the licence till the fees are paid. Yours sincerely, Rajahmundry, 5th March. Blunt –

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Blunt –

Hamilton, Ont. –
20. May 1887.–

My dear Sir,

Yours of 16th instant is received. – Send me the Three dollars on receipt. – – –

And say where, in front of the Farm lot you propose to fish in Lake Erie. –

Yours truly. – – –
John W. Kerr –
Fishery Overseer.

August Lautdor
Lautd.; Sharkston –
Post office – Ont.

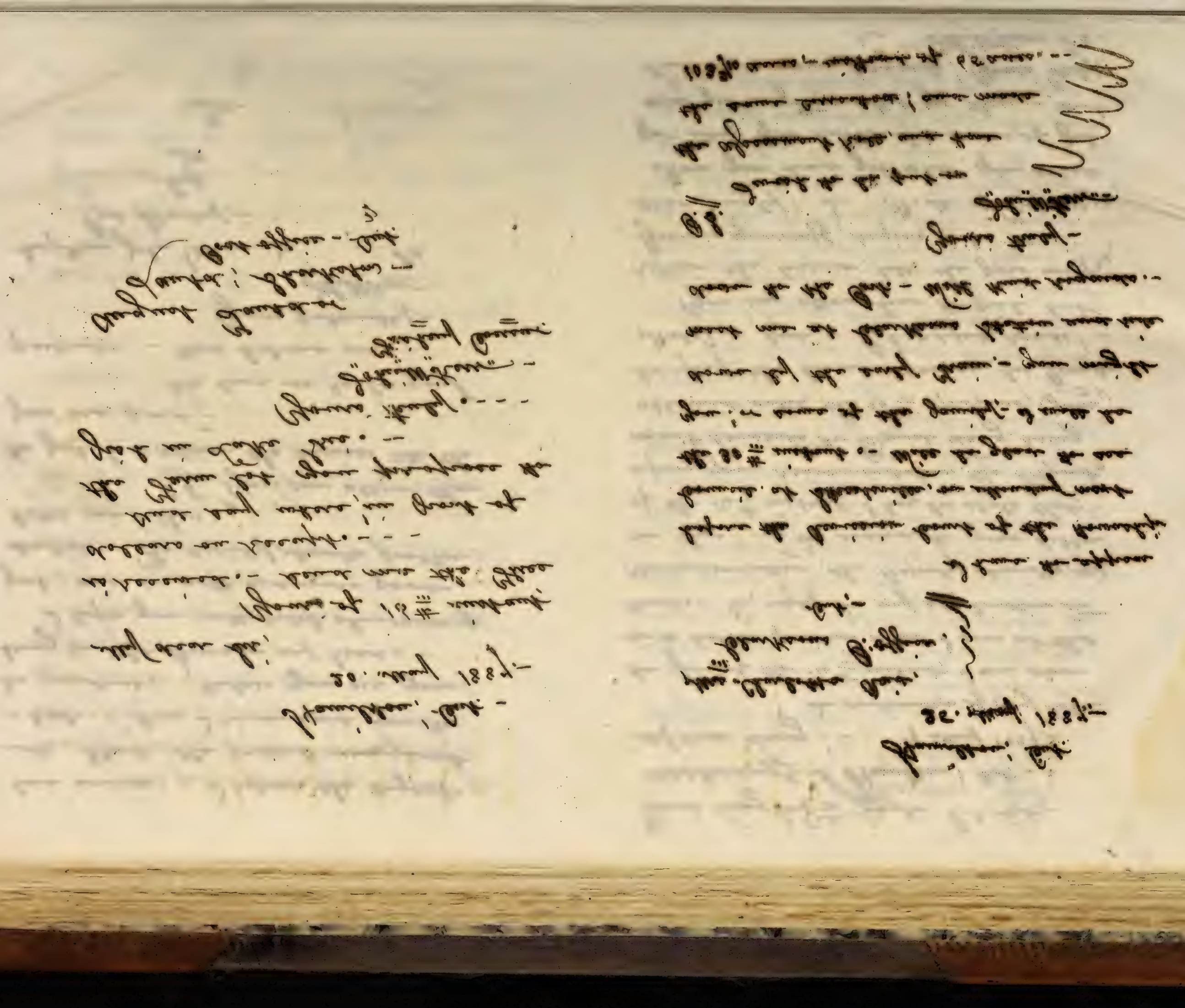
Hamilton, Ont.
25. May 1887.–

Mrs. Charlotte Rair,
Clarkson P. Office,
Ont. –

I have to appear before the Revision Court of the Township Council, at Streetsville, on Monday next the 30th instant. – Will be glad to see you: or some of the family. – I will be down by the early Train. – you might meet me at Clarkson Station and ride down to the Port. – With kind regards. –

Yours truly –
John W. Kerr

P.S.
I wish to be put on the Assessment Rolls, and have the same corrected; and made 103 3/10 acres, – instead of 65 acres. –



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Hamilton, Ont, –
My dear Woollard! – 23. March 1887. –

"Yours of 19th instant received, applying for a license for a term of 9 years, for the fish in Lake Ontario fronting on Toronto Township. –

In answer thereto, I may inform you that the Department has declined to issue 9 years licences to fish in Lake Ontario. – I will come down next week to see you! How does your license read? –

There is only Charles Nurse, Mrs Reid and yourself licensed to fish in front of the Township of Toronto! why dont you says other peoples fish nets, if they fish there? – – –

"You say! and if any thing should happen to "you, which I hope will not be the case! – I should "have nothing to show, and I think it best to have "it fixed for good!" –

In reply to this! I am not aware of anything going to happen to me that might militate against you or any other fisherman. – – I was badly hurt by a severe fall last Christmas day; when my right knee was badly sprained; but thank God, I am getting better and I expect to live out the present term of Sir John A, and his Administration. –

With Kind regards!

Yours truly. –
John Wilkes. –
Fishery Overseer.

Mr B. Woollard,
Credit, Ont,

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Sept. 1.—

Hamilton, Sept. —

My dear Alexander, — 23. March 1837. —

Yours of 19th without reminding me, giving you a lesson for a time of 9 years, for the first in data Latin punting on Greek Grammar. —

In manner Greek, I may inform you that the pentameter has deadened to issue 9 years lessons to pick in data Latin. — I will come down next week to see you. How are your lessons here? —

There is only Charles Arrow, who does not yet answer to pick in front of the Grammar; why don't you copy other people's exercises if they pick them? — —

"Now, my! not if any thing should happen to you, which I hope will not be the case. — I should have nothing to show, and I think it best to have it ready for you." —

In reply to this: I am not aware of anything you to happen to me that might militate against you or any other pateman. — I was really hurt by a lesson you last Saturday; when my Tight Arrow was really ashamed; but think for I am getting better and I expect to be out the present term of his John & our his Administration. —

With kind regards,

Yours truly. —

Alexander,

Hamilton Grant.

Alexander Grant Esq.

Hamilton! - Ont. -

21st May 1887. - - -

Sir, -

I am in receipt of the copy of letter from W. A. McCulla, M. P. - dated House of Commons, Ottawa; 29. April 1887, - To, William Smith Esqre Deputy Minister of Marine, Ottawa, in behalf of W. B. Woollard of Port Credit, - a Fisherman! - - Together with copy of letter dated Pt Credit, March 19th 1887. - making application to me by W. B. Woollard, on this same subject! also, the copy of a letter from Alexander Beakely, - Hotel Keeper, Light Keeper - Pt. Credit! - - addressed to you! John Tilton Esqre D. M. of Fisheries! going beyond the bounds of moderation, in his desire for to befriend Woollard, to the prejudice of the Reids, C. L. Sticks, and Charles Nurse! with your orders to me to report thereon! -

In reply, - to Mr W. A. McCulla's letter, I may here report, that Charles Nurse, and C. L. Sticks, of Humber Bay, - fish gill nets in Lake Ontario, fronting on the Toronto Township, and Frank Reid and Charlotte Reid, fish gill nets, and a seine - in Lake Ontario, fronting on the township of Toronto, and during many years previous to W. B. Woollards, arrival at Pt Credit; and these are old resident fishermen on Lake Ontario! and this M. P. - should not attempt to take the bread out of the Reids mouth and family, who voted for him, father and son, at the last Election, and give it to Woollard; who, for the first time only, recorded his vote, at the recent Election. (Mr James Hamilton, Merchant, Pt Credit, and I have talked the matter over, I got them myself to vote, down the Farm on which Frank Reid, Charlotte Reid and Wm Reid, in Toronto township, on the Lake shore - they live at present. - -

The Deputy Minister,
Deputy Fisheries, -
Ottawa, Ont.

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Hamilton, Ont.

Sir,— 24th March 1887.—

I am in receipt of the copy of letter from Mr. Mc. Mahon, M. P. dated House of Commons, Ottawa, 29. April 1887.— In William Smith for Deputy Minister of Marine, Ottawa, in behalf of Mr. G. Mordhurst of Port Dover.— Together with copy of letter dated 4th March 1887.— making application to me by Mr. G. Mordhurst, on this same subject.— also, the copy of a letter from Commissioner Butterfield.— Dated Dover, 21st Apr.— H. 4th March.— acknowledgement to you.— John Hilton Esq. M. P. of Chatham.— giving longer the reasons of remonstrance, in his claims for the Dominion Mordhurst, to the foreshore of the Beach, N. of Chatham, and therefore asking your answer to me to report thereon.—

In reply.— to this Mr. G. McMahon's letter, I may here report, that therein asserts, that G. of Chatham, of Chatham Esq.— Just gave made in claim Entirely, pertaining on the foreshore township, near Front Beach near Charlotte Beach, just made, and a same in claim Entirely pertaining on the township of Charlotte, near running round space previous to Mr. G. Mordhurst, arrived at 4th March, near there are other resident Gentlemen on claim Entirely.— Near this Mr. G. McMahon not attempt to take the beach out of the Beach north near Family, only notice for him. further near now, at the last Election, and gave it to Mordhurst; who, for the first time only re-ceived his note, at the recent Election. (Mr. James Chamberlain, Mordhurst, and I have talked the matter over; I put them respectfully to note, from the Claim on behalf Front Beach, Charlotte Beach near Mordhurst, in Charlotte township, on the claim above — they have at present.—

The Deputy Minister,
Department Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

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I bought in the farm for the Reids, - and I try to help them along !. -

Sir Melville Parker, must not prejudice the Reids, he should act with care and caution in his recommendation in behalf of Woolland, not damaging any of Mr. Cullen's other supporters in doing so ! - - And where Charles Nurse and C. L. Hicks, - supporters of Mr. M. Clark Wallace, M. P. are also concerned. - - -

This romancing on the part of Mr. McCullen "whom I purpose voting for myself at next Election" - Sir, Melville Parker, and Alex: Blakely should be stopped by you at once.

With regard to B. Woollands - letter to you he labours under a misapprehension and mistake ! - "I never promise a fisherman anything that I cannot perform" - and you are aware I could not promise what he asserts I did !!. - Because for the simple fact, I could not fulfill it.

"Mr. John L'Eskie, of Toronto, equipped and fitted out, W. B. Woolland, with 2, Boats - and abundance of gill nets, - and with stores and provisions - and sent him to Lake Superior - 20, miles above Red Rock, and where he fished and made his Pile - and then sold the Boats and nets, - returned to Toronto. - The settle up with John L'Eskie, - I heard was neither profitable nor pleasant" - To John L'Eskie, after 4 years up there. - - -

When I received Woollands letter, I answered it, on the 23rd March - last, copy herewith, marked No: 1. -

Woolland, was settled as a Tenant in Alex: Blakely's house, at Pt. Credit for some time, after returning from Red Rock, Lake Superior, before I was made aware of it. - - I did not know until after Woolland, purchased a House and Lot, in Port Credit, that he refers to, that he had done so. - - - All the promises I ever made was, that I would never encourage other fishermen to settle in Pt. Credit. - -

I brought in the pens for the Banks. and I try to help them along !. —

Mr. Mabinlie Butler, must not prejudice the Banks. he should act with care and caution in the recommendation in behalf of Mr. Bolland, not encouraging any of the other supporters in doing so. — Just unless therefore Mr. G. of Banks, supporters of Mr. Mark Bolland, Mr. G. are also concerned. — —

This remaining on the part of Mr. Mabinlie. "when I pass notice for respect at next Election?" Mr. Mabinlie Butler must deny; Bolland should be stopped by you at once.

With respect Mr. G. Mackenzie. Letter to you to behave under a misapprehension and mistake. —

"I never promise a gentleman I cannot perform" and something that you are aware I would not promise what to accede Dist. !!. — because for the simple fact, should not publish it.

"Mr. John Griffiths, of Tarnah, enquires and Letter not Mr. G. Mackenzie, with I. Beath, and abundance of pile made, and with others and provisions, and that him to Griffs dispensing. Mr. Mabinlie above Mr. Beath, and before to Porter and made his Ob. and then take the Beath and made, returned to Tarnah. — The settle up with John Griffiths. I have was neither prejudiced and pleasant ?" — Mr. John Griffiths; after it goes up there. — —

When I received Mackenzie letter, I answered it on the 23rd ultimo. that copy herewith, marked No: 1. —

Mackenzie, was settled as a Tenant in Mr. Mabinlie's house, at Mr. Beath for some time, after returning from the Beath, Griffs dispensing, before I was made aware of it. — I did not know until after Mackenzie, per. chance. those was left in Mr Beath, that he =
pers to, that he had done so. — — See the promise I was made was, that I would never encourage other gentlemen to settle in Mr. Beath. — —

I.

I consider Muree, and Sticks - at the Humber, and the Reids - above Lorne Park, on the shore of Lake Ontario, and with Woolland - at Pt. Credit, fronting on the township of Toronto, is an insufficient number of licensed fishermen, allotted to this part of Lake Ontario.

I find Mr: Blakely - has been drawing on his imagination, when he wrote to you his letter of 28, March last, and there is no doubt but Woolland showed him my letter dated 23rd March last, addressed to him, - herewith. - - -

I heard Woolland lost 3. Gangs of gill nets during last winter, and that he accused Bronte fishermen for stealing them. - - -

Bronte fishermen, having heard this infamous report, Woolland - had circulated about stealing his nets, - declined to tell him where to find them, as they had seen the Buoys when fishing up their own gill nets. - -

Blakely makes statements to you slandering Bronte fishermen, that he cannot substantiate. - -

Bronte fisheries - are not failing! Trout and Herring - are plentiful as ever they were. - - No such thing as 50,000,- yards of Herring gill nets, having been lost, between Toronto, and Niagara. - Let Blakely give the names of the owners - and these slanders can be soon cleared up. -

False reports - should be carefully received, and with caution, when it is intended to damage other fishermen by landing W. B. Woolland to the skies!! -

Bronte fishermen, house up their fisheries, they stop fishing about the 1st of April, each year, and dont commence fishing again until 1st of October, following, while Woolland, fishes the year round for Trout, and Herring. -

If gill nets are lost, from the effects of severe storms, which you are aware has happened, and

I consider whose, must think - or the chamber, must the Irish - above done Gift, as the above of death Interest, must with Members - at the Irish, putting on the township of Dromoth, as an insufficient number of Licence Fishermen, altogether to this part of Gift Interest.

I first Illy; Belatedly - has been assuming on the issuing = motion, when to write to you the letter of 23 March last, must there is no doubt but Members whose this my letter dated 23rd March last, addressed to him - herewith . . . .

I have Members last 3 Jumps of pile nets claiming last winter, must that to remove Dromoth fishermen by stopping them . . . .

Dromoth fishermen, having heard this informing report Members, that Finnbatat about stopping his nets - declined to take his orders to first them, as they has been the Jump when putting up their own pile nets . . -

Belatedly notice statements to you claimants Dromoth fishermen, that to cannot substantiate . . -

Dunfanaghy - are not fishing ! Been must offering - are plentiful as ever they were . . - to such thing as 30,000 - yards of stationing pile nets, having been last between Dromoth must fishermen . - let Belatedly give the names of the owners - must take statement on to own element up . -

Take reports - stands to unusually reasons, must with motion, when it is unknown to damage other fishermen by leaving them Members to the stations !! -

Dromoth fishermen, have up their fishers, they stop fishing about the 14th of April, such year, must that assumes fishing again until 14th of October, following, while Members, quite the year remove for Indeed, must stationing . -

If pile nets are last, from the appeals of Dunore stations, which you are aware the happen not, must

Herrings and Cisco - lost with them! this is an occurrence to be deplored, and these losses are always keenly felt! - But Brantford fishermen are not accountable for losses that may happen in this way. - - -

Brantford fishermen! since Thomas Joyce, left Burlington Beach, and opened Cisco and Herring fishing at Brantford, have acquitted themselves with Honor and Credit to the Fisheries department. - They have opened a Trade in Smoked fish, that has often surprised me; and when delighted on observing the great quantities of fish shipped from Brantford Station of G. T. Railway, daily to the Towns and Villages all over this Province. - - -

Sir Melville Parker, Olley: Blakely, and W. A. McCulley, M. P. are like people astray for something to do! and looking as it were for a Needle in a bundle of Straw, To grant what W. A. Woollard, asks and applies for, through interested friends, is out of the question. -

I cannot recommend a Monopoly of the Kind; besides there is no necessity so far as I can see for any thing of this Kind! - Mr W. A. Woollard, came to Port Credit, from Lake Superior; of his own free will and accord, and finding him there, I endeavour, to make fishing matters agreable for him, but in future he must be more careful and not lie to you about me! - But you would be surprised I am sure if I recommended W. A. Woollard of Port Credit, to have a 9 years lease or Lease! "On the fish in Lake Ontario; fronting on the township of Toronto." "Having the exclusive right of the same;" - I cannot and will not recommend; recommend a Lease to W. A. Woollard; for any thing beyond my application to you of the 10th instant. -

Respectfully submitted! - and Recommended!!

Philip Kerr - F. O. -

Morning our lives - but until then! this is an occasion to be rejoiced, and then lets enjoy the gift! - But Lord Pitman is not accountable for loses that may happen in this way. - -

Lord Pitman! since Thomas Joyce, left the employ here, our spoons have been stealing just as at Lord, has acquitted themselves with their, benefit to the Tailors department. - They have spoons & forks in another yard, that has often surprised me; our wives daughter is attending the great quantities of gold & silver from Lord Pitman of J. M. Dickson, already to the Queen our Sovereign all over the Dominions. - -

Mr Allanby Butler, Esq: Lord, our M. C. Allanby, M. P. are left people asking for something to do and nothing as it were for a pleasure in a house of return. - Great what M. C. Allanby, asks our applause for, through interested friends, is out of the question. -

Lamont resumed a discussion of the Trust, & said there is no necessity to pay as Lord has for any thing of this Trust! - Mr M. C. Allanby, some of that Trust, from Lord Pitman, of the same pile our seasons, our finding this Trust, & endeavour to make finding matters agreeable for him, but in fine it must be more usual our not to be pay about me! - But you made to surprise Lord in a Lamentation M. C. Allanby of Lord Pitman & Lord & Lord Lord & Lord: - Lord & Lord in Lord Pitman: finding & the Lordship of Lord: Lord the Lordship Lord of the Lord. - Lamont our wife not Lamentation: Lamentation & Lord to M. C. Allanby: for any thing Lord our applause: Lord & Lord of Lord M. C. Lord. - -

Lordship Lordship! - our Lamentation M. C. Allanby Lordship. - Lord. -

Hamilton! -

Mem: for S. P. Bennet Esqre.
Fisheries Department -
Ottawa! Cnd.

Always delighted to hear from you, sorry to learn that you are captured... God has many ways of afflicting his Creatures. We must be all content and submit to the Divine will, he knows best. Mey! there is just improving! dont you remember how bad it was when you helped me over the snow mounds in Ottawa, on the 15; March last! when hardly able to crawl. I came down to see you and my Kind friend the Deputy, - and Mrs Bennet and your family and Evans and his family in - cluding his son Tom! my nephew, Captain and Adjutant in the Militia, & Regular soldier! Captain and Adjutant, is the Rank I hold myself at present in the Militia. I am upwards of 40 years a Militia officer in Canada. - But to business! - I send

report today, - To the deputy, - It is a foolish move on the part of Mr McCulla M.P. - to act in this sort of way, for one of his constituents as against all others. - Woolland - wants the entire Lake - fronting on the Township of Toronto! not even permitting a boat to enter Humber at Pt Credit, or allow any fisherman to fish where he has applied for, but himself! ... Last winter he set adrift a fishermans Bronte Boat, laden with fish nets, that took refuge in Pt Credit Harbour, and only the wind and waves stranded the Boat off down towards Pilmer, the entire big would have been lost! - and without going further, this is the man - Mr McCulla M.P. - is trying to Please! - Whenever Bronte fishermen run down the Lake and set about the township, between Trafalgar & Toronto township, it raises Woollands indignation so! - I could not do otherwise, but what my report contains, personally I have no without jealousy me my or the other! Mr McCulla is aware that I helped

Hamilton

Allen: Yes Sir G. Cameron has left.
Hamilton's disappointment.
Hamilton: Sir,
Although indisposed it has been my
duty to have that you are expected.
Yet has many days of affording his
protection. He must be all another one
[illegible] to the Chinese ports. It seems but
[illegible] was a great surprising that you are
[illegible] that it was when you [illegible]
me over the same message in Hamilton.
or the 15. [illegible] last! when [illegible] also
it seems. I have done it as you are [illegible]
this point the Deputy- and his Excellent and
your family and [illegible] and the family in
[illegible] his [illegible] Sir! my [illegible], [illegible]
and Deputy in the [illegible], it [illegible]
[illegible]! [illegible] and Deputy in the [illegible]
I have [illegible] present in the [illegible]. I
am [illegible] of to [illegible] a [illegible] [illegible]
in [illegible]. - But to [illegible]:- I have

report [illegible]. To the [illegible], - it is a
[illegible] more in the part of his [illegible].
H.E. It not in the [illegible] of [illegible]. for one of
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Hamilton. - [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] in
the [illegible] of [illegible]! [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
- [illegible] it [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]

him at last Election, and so will I get. Other deceiving pickerwem are satisfied with their lot. Take for instance Jim Joyce and his brothers: grits until last Election; when they threw off the grit trammels and voted Conservative; and Charles Stone and Dr. L. Wicks at Chamber Bay. — Save the Reids! . . . . .

Glad and all as I was when invited to come down to Ottawa, and renew my acquaintance with the Deputy Minister, I now believe had you not invited me to come, I would have become worse and not better. — From the bottom of my heart, and with truth and sincerity I thank you for that stroke of Kindness, coming as it did, at a time so essential to my well being & restoration to good health once more. —

With my regards and respects to Mrs Campbell and your family, — Love to the Deputy Minister, who I must always kindly remember as a true friend in need! Believe me Yours V. V. —

22 May 1887.

John Wilkes, P.C.

Hamilton, Ont. —

25. May 1887. —

My Friend Mr Lewis —

Mr Robert John Allen, asked me to procure for him some person to buy your White girl: — I done so, and I telegraphed you Mr W. C. Baker, who keeps a fruit store on James street, Hamilton — will take 1/2 a dozen Baskets weekly — and pay 7c big cents a pound for them . . . If this will suit you, you might deal with him. — I saw Baker this morning and he spoke to me about the girl again. We have no news of importance! —

Hamilton! - Ont. -

24. May 1887. -

Sir. -

I may report to you, that last [illegible], at Niagara, Seine Hauling grounds at the Two Miles ponds was very slim indeed! and s[illegible] g had to be abandoned after a few hauls as unprofitable! and so the licence herewith, have remained in my possession ever since as you may perceive unpaid. - - I beg now to report, and be [illegible] that you will be pleased to enter the year 1887, on the two Licences for year 1886, - enclosed herewith, and be pleased to allow $15.00 - as sufficient [illegible] 2, years 1886. and 1887. - [illegible].

1. Robert John Allen! Niagara! for years 1886. and 1887. - - Amount altogether, } $15.00.

2. John Bolton, Niagara! for years 1886. and 1887. - amount altogether - } $15.00 -

I re-commend the [illegible] your consideration! -

God save the Queen! - She is the 4th Crown Head! under whom I have the Honor to be, as a Loyal subject, I have lived! - Sir. -

Your Obedient Servant. -

John Wilkes -

Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister.
Department of Fisheries. -
Ottawa! Ont. -

Hamilton, Ont.

24. Mai 1887.

Sir:-

I have report to you that last year, at Wingham, Alma Township parents at the time [illegible] were very slim indeed, but I have to be informed after a year time such as impossible; but as the issues herewith have remained in my possession ever since as you may perceive in point ... I beg now to report and to the year will be pleased to enter the year 1887 on the two children for year 1886 - enclosed herewith, and be pleased to allow $15.00 - as [illegible] year 1886 and 1887 - [illegible]

1. Robert John Allen, Wingham; for years 1886, and 1887 - Amount allowable, $15.00.

2. John Dalton, Wingham; for years 1886 and 1887 - Amount allow[illegible] $15.00.

I remain, Sir, your [illegible]

John Dow, Sir Oliver:- [illegible] Alma in the [illegible] Alma; Alma Sir Oliver to be [illegible] - [illegible] Sir:-

Your obedient servant.

[illegible]

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Education.
Toronto, Ont.

Hamilton! Ont. -
20. May 1869. -

Sir,

I have to report that on last Friday, the 18th instant, at the Town of Niagara: I just drove up to the Seine Hauling ground at the "Old Fort" Niagara, mouth of the Niagara ....

John Robert Allan, had just completed a haul, and was in the act of selling the fish caught to Paddy Russell a Pedlar from St Catharines....

I observed a Maskinonge about 25 pounds, in the haul, and I seized and confiscated the same from Allan, and crew being ignorant of the law and the kind of fish, they had caught. I fined Allan, one dollar, and disposed of the fish; - it being ~~[illegible]~~ for Maskinonge .... And the balance of the crew I admonished to be careful in future and not commit any more contraventions of the Fisheries Act ....

I have the Honor to be, -
Sir. -
Your Obedient Servant. -
John Wilkes
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries. -
Ottawa! Ont. -

Hamilton, Ont.

20. June 1887.

I have to report that on last Friday the 18th instant at the town of Niagara I put down to the Sons Standing Armour at the Gen. Hospital Niagara, respecting of the Niagara ...

The Robert Allen, has just completed a tank, and was in the act of calling the pick empty to Bradley Hussey & Co. Gaolers from the Penitentiary ...

I observed a whitewashing about 25 pounds in the tank, and I asked our superintendent the same as Allen, and from being ignorant of the law and the Minister of Gaols, they has empty. I gave Allen, the Gaoler, and superior of the gaol; it being for whitewashing ... but the behaviour of the same I consider to be unfit in future and not merit any more authorization of the Gaolers but ...

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.

Gaoler.

The Superintendent Minister,
Department of Gaols.
Ottawa, Ont.

Hamilton! Ont.

24. May 1887....

My dear Friend, major Carpenter!.

My dear Friend! has anybody
told you how I have been making some fun
guess about me! and if I have learned
any thing further about the promotion,
I may tell you that when I first sent
the papers in!!. I received a letter from
a friend of mine who is next to the
deputy Minister of Militia in rank! and
he wrote to me: "Why; I will send an
array of testimonials I was sure of your
case;" and he added! it is useless for me
to tell you, I have all in my pocket".

But as the matter remains, I never
received any thing official yet....

Now I will tell you a good thing
for you to do: get Sheriff McMaster
M.P.P., Colonel Tyrwhitt, Doctor John
Ferguson, J. A. Ryckman, William Brown,
and Lieutenant McCullum, and Surgeon

to go with you some time you are at
leisure and see the Deputy Minister,
John Tilton, do the matter originally
with him to me! and the thing is
my friend: The Hon. J. A. Chisholm, the
Speaker of the Senate. Ottawa; when he
always has my warm friend!....

On the 18th of June next, I will be
78. years old, hale and hearty....

I will be then 22. years, and 8 months,
a Military Pensioner, during the early of the
operation accumulated during the past
eighteen years. - Does an appropriate
time the day on the 18th of June of this
third! You know me to vote for
several years. that as a friend I am
always place implicit confidence in you,
as well, in the other fellows above
mentioned! for nearly 55 years. I have
been serving the Queen of England. -
18 years and 8 months in the Royal
Irish Constabulary Force. - -

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Hamilton! Ont.—
30th day of 1887.—

Dear Sir,—

Your favour of the 27th instant, is received.—

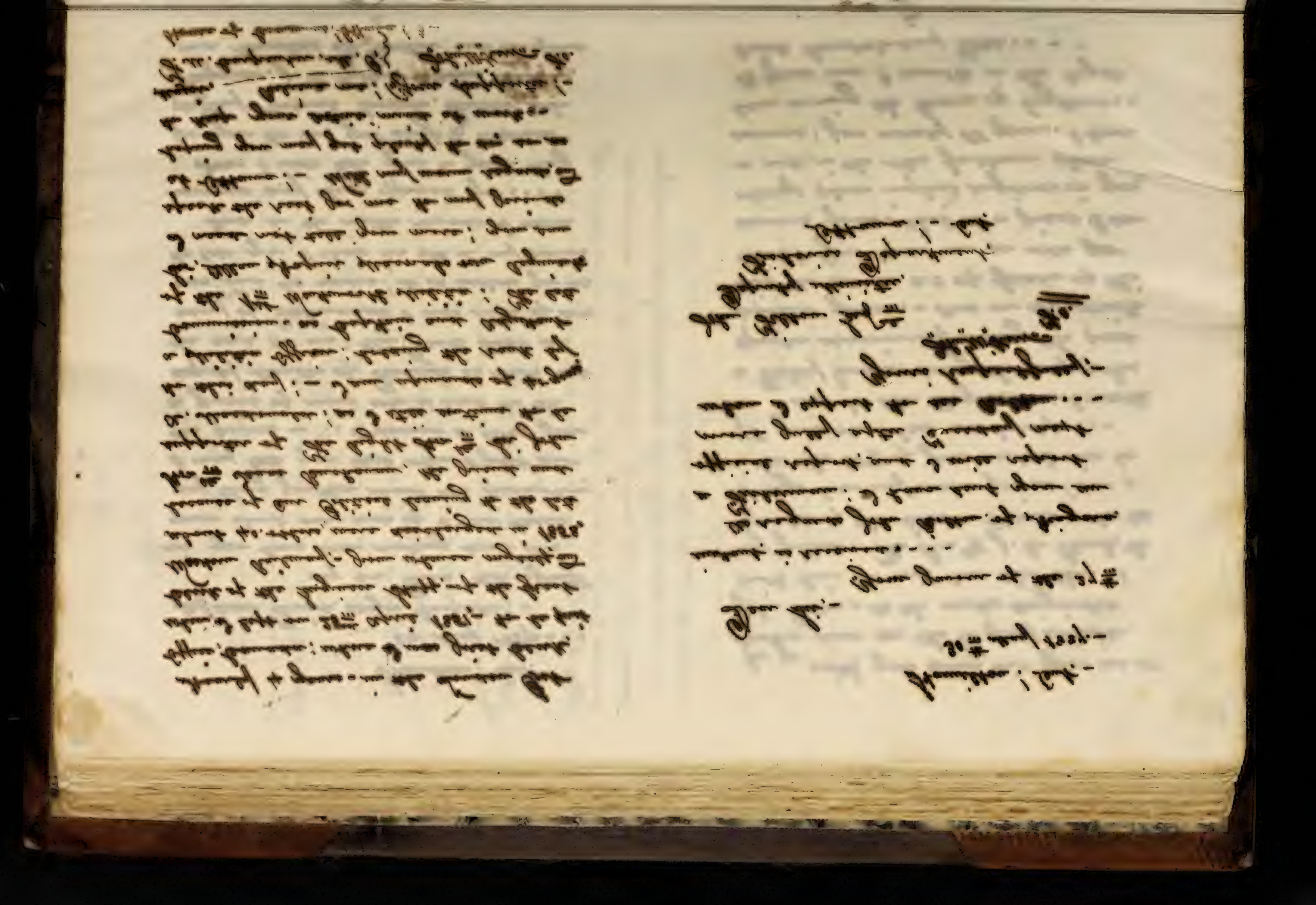
We regards John Ritter, of Niagara, a Fisherman: I have sent you an official report, and I will report more fully after Tuesday next when I expect to see Ritter...

Yours respectfully,—
John Gillespie
F.O.

John Tilton Esqre
Deputy Minister,
Fisheries Department,
Ottawa!—Ont.

Hamilton 4 years in the London Post Office, Canada; where I was first Clerk, when I left on 25th April 1851,— to be first Clerk of the Engineer Staff,— of the Great Western Railway;— from whence myself, & about 40. others, were discharged in 1858, because of our Political leaning to the late Honble James Buchanan, the friend and supporter of The Right Honble Sir John A. Macdonald: as I still continue to be to this day!— I am upwards of 30 years a Militia Officer: holding the rank by Commission, as Captain and Adjutant of the 1st Wentworth Militia! The late Sir, Allan Napier Macnab was Aquainted; I need not tell you more: you can speak the rest for me to my friends at Ottawa!— With my warm regards, and hoping you may get plenty to do, so as to keep your Militia mind at work,— again, Believe me! Your Supporter!—

F. M. Carpenter, M. P.P. } John Gillespie Esq.
Member of Commons! Ottawa! }



Hamilton: Ont.
24. May 1827.–

Sir.–

As I am aware that you that you and your two are fishing at Short point, in Lake Ontario, for Herring and White fish.–

I write that you on receipt to send me £5. hence for this current year, and remember you have generally taken two fines – for fishing without a License!–

Send me also the number of yards of Herring gill nets,– and white fish gill nets. separately! you are fishing at present, so that I may apply and get up your license.–

Yours truly.–
J. Hillier.–

Mr. Salisbury Wright,
and Son:–
Short Point,
Whitby, C. Office.

Hamilton: Ont.
24. May 1827.–

Sir.

I understand you, and your partner have been seen fishing on your fishing ground in Lake Ontario at Grandmaris Bay.– Let you your fishers are fine me not one of such.

On receipt please send me £5.00 this will be for that year and this current year: as I know you that your gill nets.. and I will apply for your license for this year..

Remember you must not in future fish, unless you have first received your license! have this in mind..

Yours truly.–
J. Hillier.–

Mr. Abraham Lane, Bridge Keeper
and Bay.–
Grandmaris Bay.–
Dunkerton, C. Office.

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Hamilton, Ont. -

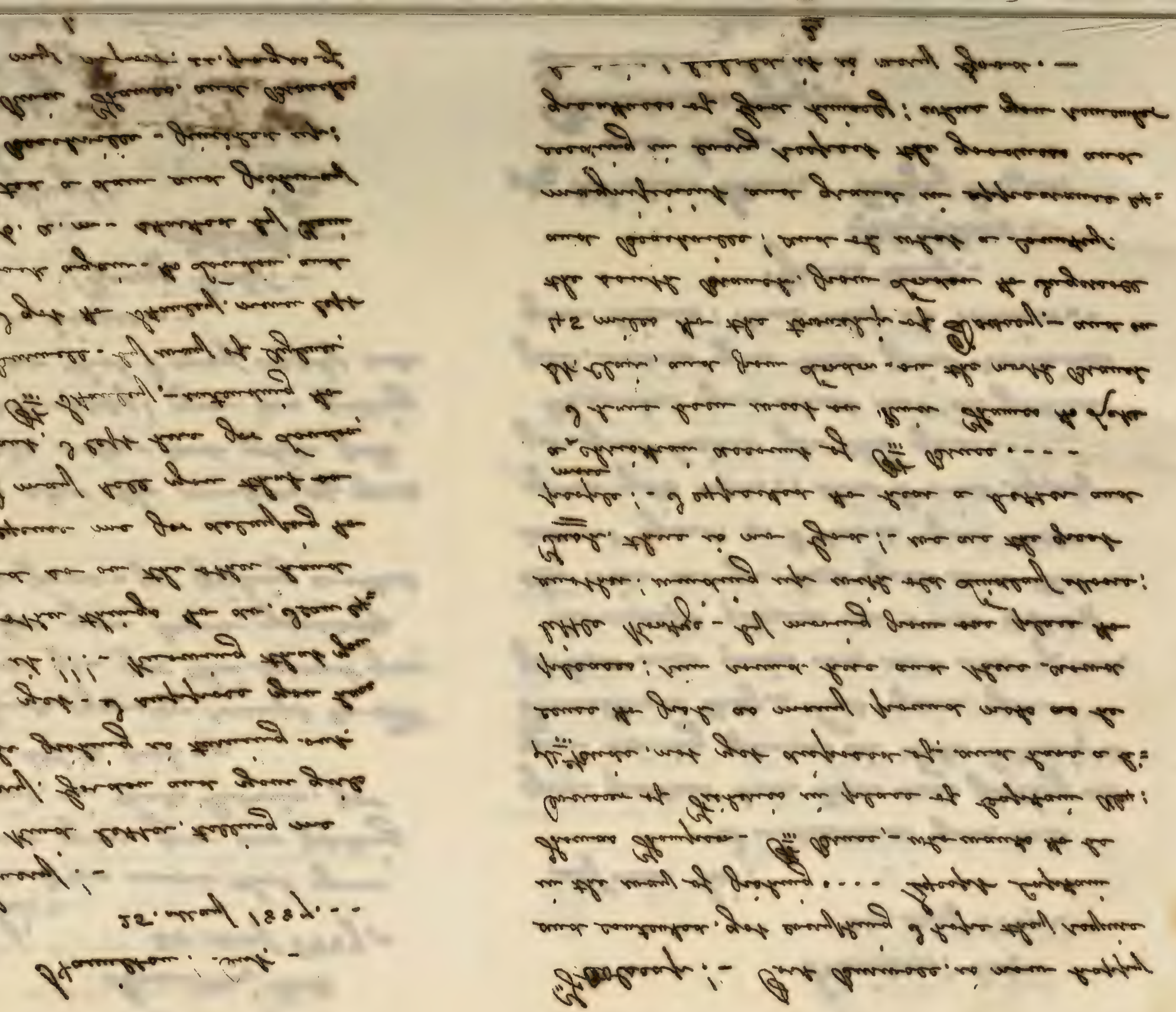
25. May 1887. - -

My dear Mrs Emery! -

Your kind letter, telling me how you, Mrs Emery, Gordon and your girls are! now how the fishing is turning out, has not arrived yet - I suppose you have not yet written it!!! - Knowing that you have so much of other things to do, I can excuse you. - - And so on the other hand you will please excuse me for delaying to write sooner! - I may tell you that on the 12th May instant, I left here for London, St Thomas, and Pt Stanley - intending to fall down on Pt Burwell - by way of Aylmer, and Pt Bruce. - - I got to Stanley, never left the Railway Car back again - to London, and next morning at 6. a. m - started by train to Ingersoll, inspected a dam and fishway there, then on to Beachville - finished up my inspection on River Thames, and Branches and since made my report, 22, pages of

foolscap! - Port Burwell, is now happy and contented, got everything I hope they require in the way of fishing. - - - Except Captain Thomas Thompson - Pt Bruce, - who wants to be Overseer of Fisheries in place of Captain Alex: McBride, not yet disposed of, and have a license to fish as many pound nets as he pleases: him round here and there crowd little Montze - by moving from one place to another: winding up with old Lindsay Moore; Tush, there is no God! - we are the great people! - I expected to hear a better and more a christian account of Pt Bruce. - - -

I have been west on River Thames to Lake St. Clair, and from London, on the north Branch 45 miles to the township of Dorsey, - and on the south Branch, from London to Ingersoll and Beachville! And oh what a country, magnificent and grand in appearance exceeding in every respect the goodness and greatness of God himself! where you remember me - - - I I - I - I - I - it is very Good. -



There are four Robert Jackmen who has not paid me yet. – I got them time until the 15th June; Please impress on your Hands to be careful and allow the small white fish to escape and get large – to be caught again next year, when they get big! don't catch them.

When in Pt Stanley – I heard a man had gone from there down to Wakenham to set Isaac Backer's pound net, – Mas Colonel Wi-dale, done any thing for you yet. – ("Eaten bread is soon forgotten") His own humble protest and one thing or another! in Hamilton and South Wentworth – we have Model, M. P. and no protest against them. – On next monday I attend the Revision Court to be placed on the Voters list at Stoneville, County of Ont, not knowing what may happen, we should be all prepared! – And so I was told, Mr William Backhouse – did note at last Election! – the man who puts his hand on the plough, should never look back, or as we have heard; "let me will drain our dearest veins, – or they shall be free!" – Backhouse should have worked; it was a critical time, when an effort was being made to ruin our Loyal friends and our Glorious Country, – the work at an Election is never hard! – Especially when our hearts and hands are all going together.

I have heard nothing official yet, about the prorogation; Major T. M. Carpenter, our Member will look to it. – What silly people our M. Ps are to pass resolutions – foreign – about Coercion, Home Rule, &c. in Ireland, – and Blake! the murderers warm hearted advocate, "not as a lawyer", – but as the sympathiser of murderers and assassins! the friend of the assassins who murdered Lord Kavandish – and Burk; Mrs Smith! &c. &c. down with such man and may he never rise again! We had O'Brien and Kilbride in Hamilton! they had to make themselves scarce! – Why M. P. – who would encourage such cut throats to come into a happy Country like our Canada! deserves to be carded! I will not go further. –

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[illegible]

I must now wind up, did Jackson get a licence to fish 5. pound nets.

I have heard nothing from D: Sharp for a long time. – I expect he has trouble up there, making promises, to-day – backing out on tomorrow, will never help a man along. –

Everything goes on nicely in Elgin – and at Niagara and Queenston, where I was on last Friday and Saturday. – My Knee is improving slowly, but I expect it will be well soon, getting better all the time. –

I am always glad and delighted to hear from you! and to learn that Mrs Emery and your children are well and happy. – It is besides – a Happiness for me to have some Kind friends to think about, – like yourself and family – my warm regards. God bless you and yours –

Yours faithfully –

Wm. Y. Emery Esq.
Merchant &c &c.
St Burwell. Ont

Phillips
F.O.

I am in St. Catharines this morning, and I was told a man named John Thompson, his wife, another woman and 2 children, were drowned in St. Clair on yesterday. – The body of one woman was washed on shore today, nothing about any of the others as yet. We are all well, my boy seems to be getting better, I have taken the bandage off it. – I hope you are all well. Kindly remember me to Lily – and her sisters. Will no more at present I shall be down in a fortnight or so, on the first! –

Yours William. Jr.

My dear Lizzie,
Mr Phillips,
Niagara – Ont.

2.

One printed
fishing license! }

Chester A. Harris Esqre
or
Mrs. Harris.
Port Grace!

Mailed on 27th
May 1887. }

Cert.
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One printed
fishing license! }

Nicholas Carritt. Esqre
Interval Bridge P.O.
Victoria!

Mailed on 27.
May 1887. }

Cert.

One printed
fishing license! }

Frank Myatt. Esqre
Reeve of Louth!
Jordan. P.O.

Mailed on 27.
May 1887. }

Cert.

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John Bolton Esq.
Niagara,

Hamilton! Oct.
27. 1887.

Dear Bolton!—

I was in Niagara last Friday and Saturday, went out to the 2, to see you guided in my endeavours.— I left your Boat licence, and your brothers Boat licence, with Albert Hall, for you to hand.— I beg of you to be very particular! and do not catch small white fish— let them all go!— Jack Raynor, got his back up, because stopped from seine hauling by Robert John Allan!— He is a domineering overbearing American— United States discharged Soldier!— Not under a compliment to any man living on the Continent of America! as he told me on last Friday.— Rather go the L. L.

(1.)

and fish!— If he fishes any— please advise me!—

Now then to make things square— here is what I have done in your case and Robt John Allan. I got up your licence last year for seine fishing! but as you caught but few white fish; lost you:— I sent back the licence on last Saturday to The Fisheries department, and I asked and have recommended that your licence for and Allans— be only $15.— each, for 1886, and 1887.— Then! St. George, made a haul on B: Beach,— and caught 13. White fish.— I heard Patterson and Rob: Philips were circulating that the Hamilton fish Market was glutted with fish,— I have not seen any back thing!— I hear that you had arranged with Gordon, with kind regards to you and yours! believe me! Yours truly,

John Williams.

Sehr Geehrter Herr Professor!

Ich bin in Verlegenheit und bitte Sie um Rat und Hilfe. Es war mir bisher unbekannt, daß es Ihnen gestattet ist, Ihre Vorlesungen Ihren Hörern zu diktieren. Ich habe Ihnen bereits mitgeteilt, daß ich Ihre Vorlesungen, und zwar sämtliche Ihre Vorlesungen, mit Gallert stets. Wer es Ihnen? – Ich bin so frei zu sein, Ihnen zu sagen, daß es mir sehr leid tut, daß es so kommen muß. Es ist ein Ding der Unmöglichkeit, daß ich Ihre Vorlesungen weiterhin besuche

Memorandum for The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.—
Ottawa!—Ont.

Please refer to my report to W. F. Whitcher Esqre Commissioner of Fisheries,—Ottawa!—dated Hamilton 14th September 1881—with other papers attached thereto!

Also! please refer to my report of 26th September 1881.—to Mr W. F. Whitcher, Commissioner of Fisheries.—Ottawa!.

Also, refer to Memorandum! dated 30th September 1881. to Mr S. O. Ranset,—Fisheries Department....

Send to my report dated 21st October 1881,—with a letter to me from The Hon: J. C. Aikins, dated, Niagara, 19th October 1881....

Send to my report of the 15th December 1881. to Mr W. F. Whitcher,—Commissioner of Fisheries,—Ottawa.—

Please refer to my letter dated Hamilton, 19th January 1882,—to Mr W. F. Whitcher, Commissioner of Fisheries,—Ottawa! with enclosures....

Send please refer to my report, dated Hamilton, 16. March 1882.—To, W. F. Whitcher Esqre Commissioner of Fisheries,—Ottawa!.

Yours respectfully,—
John Wilkes
Fishery Overseer.

Hamilton! Ont.—
28. May 1882.—

Memorandum for the Deputy Minister.
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa, 1st
Please refer to my report of the 8th October last
Commissioner of Fisheries. Ottawa, Eastern Townships
19th September 1881. with other papers relative
thereto.

Ditto: Please refer to my report of 20th Sept.
Tweedie 1881. to the Minister, Commissioner of
Fisheries. Ottawa.

Ditto, refer to Memorandum, Eastern 30th September
1881. to the J. G. Bennett. Fisheries Department...

Bent to my report dated 21st October 1881. with
a letter to me from the Hon: J. G. Bennett dated
Montreal, 19th October 1881...

Bent to my report of the 15th November 1881. to
the Minister, Commissioner of Fisheries. Ottawa.

Please refer to my letter dated Tweedie, 19th
January 1882. to the Minister, Commissioner
of Fisheries. Ottawa. with enclosures...

Bent please refer to my report dated Tweedie
16. March 1882. to the Minister, 4th Commissioner
of Fisheries. Ottawa.

Please respectfully.
Tweedie
Fishery Officer.

Tweedie, Oct.
22. March 1879.

Hamilton! Ont.-

Sir,- 20. May 1867.-

Yours of 27th instant received, in reference to John Bolton, of Niagara, a Fisherman, surrendering a piece of land fronting on the Lake Ontario, at the Two mile pond, Township of Niagara...

It is fronting on Lake Ontario! and not on the Niagara River! being upwards of a mile away up the Lake from the mouth of the Niagara River...

The Memorandum and Reports in connection with this matter, so he said, which you can get one of the Clerks in the office to the Department to pick out from amongst the papers. - Failing to find them I can make copies for you...

These reports will put you in possession of every thing you ask for...

I have made other reports, besides those I now refer to in Memorandum: herewith: - Of these I will send you another memorandum in a few days.

Recently, Armour and Gordon, of Toronto, solicitors, served John Bolton, with a writ, for possession, in behalf of Thomas Gordon, at present the owner it is said of the Second Farm. No doubt with the object in view of getting the strip of land; and then they would try and recover the licence fees paid to the Department, on the fisheries in Lake Ontario fronting on the same...

When in Niagara on the 20th and 21st instant, I was told John Bolton has compromised the matter, but not being able to see Bolton, I cannot get give you full particulars... I will run down there on next Tuesday, get them for you and report in full... With profound respect.-

The Deputy Minister, Department of Fisheries,- Ottawa! Ont.-

I have the Honor to be,- Sir, Your Obedient Servant.- J. Hall Kerr. F.O.-

Hamilton, Sept.

Sir:

20. April 1807.

Upon of 29th instant received, in reference to your letter of February, a Gentleman, concerning a piece of land pertaining to the Lord Stair, at the Low side Quay. Township of Inveryne.

It is pertaining on both sides, but not on the Inveryne line. Being informed of a small annual rent, the data from the owner of the Lord Stair.

The allowance [illegible] nothing [illegible] one of the labourers [illegible] part and from among [illegible] Inveryne. [illegible] your own [illegible] from the [illegible] for you.

Then regards side part you in possession of any thing you ask for.

I have made other reports besides those I now refer to in allowances: Herewith. If then I will have your another measurement in a few days.

Recently, Lower and Upper, of Strath, belonging Lord Stair. In possession in behalf of Thomas Fraser, at present the owner it is about of the Lord Stair. He dealt with the object in view of getting of land: and then they made the land recovered the house for point it the Department on the Lord and in data Estate pertaining on the house.

When in Inveryne on the 20th and 21st instant I was the Lord Stair Estate for Superintendent the matter, but not being able to see Estate, I must get you your particulars. Beside how some other and treasury get them for you and report in full. With proper report.

Yours the house &c.

Yours obedient servant.

Superintendent of Stairs.

Hamilton, Sept.

Hamilton! Ont.
30. May 1887.-

Sir.

I have the honor to apply to you for a seine license for the undermentioned persons: to fish during this current year: as follows:- Viz:
1. August Lendt. Sherkston: "For to fish a seine 75 yards long. in Lake Erie. in front of the south part of Lot No: 1.- First Concession of Bertie!" The amount is to be only.- $3.00.-
2. Messrs George Leslie. Jr. Henry Gallender, John McLatchie. and David Wagstaff.- of Leslie!-
"For a license to fish a seine, in Lake Ontario, 120 yards long. in Lake Ontario. fronting on the strip of land in front of Leslieville! commencing at the Gap: and running East therefrom, in the direction of Norway;- for a distance of one mile." The amount is to be,- $5.00.
Same as last year!-

I recommend that you will be pleased to grant these licenses.- I may remind you that Messrs Leslie, and Co;- received a good deal of trouble last season! in consequence of Conner Johnston,- seizing their seine.-

The money will be paid on receipt of the license.- - -

Respectfully submitted,-
John W. Kerr.
Fishery Officer.

The Deputy Minister,-
Department of Fisheries-
Ottawa! Ont.

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Hamilton! Ont.-
1st June 1887.--

Gordon vs.- Bolton!!!.-

Sir!-

In continuation of my former reports to you in this case, after enquiries made; I have now the honor to report at your request how the case stands at present.---

You will find that on the 25th of March last, I reported to you on this case, and I sent you a copy of the writ, just then served on John Bolton!- This was after I had accompanied John Bolton to Toronto, on that day, and we had seen Mr. John Bain, Bolton's former Solicitor at his office on Wellington street; when a necessary affidavit in connection with the said writ, was then and there drawn up, and made by John Bolton, and sworn to, same day.- John Bolton, paid Mr. John Bain $10.- as a retaining fee.---

My former reports made to you at your request, on the 24th February 1886,- and on the 25th February 1886, in this case, you will find concise, clear; furnishing as they do, a true statement of facts.-- Please refer to them, and read them, I prepared them carefully for you!--

On John Bolton's visit to Toronto, on the 25th of March last!-- Mr. John Bain, told Bolton, in my presence that neither Thomas Gordon! nor the deceased Adam Crooks,- had any legal claim to that piece of property at the Two mile pond, on the bank and beach of Lake Ontario.--- Afterwards Mr. John Bain, Laidlaw and Co, Solicitors, say; on the 1st April 1887.- wrote to John Boulton, Fisherman, Niagara;- the enclosed letter, which I obtained from Bolton this day, in order "That you might know how the matter stands".--

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

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Hamilton, Ont.
1st June 1887.

Jarvis vs. Dalton.

Sir,

In continuation of my former report to you in this case, after enquiries made, I have now the honor to report at your request how the case stands at present.

You will find that on the 25th of March last, I reported to you on this case, and I sent you a copy of the writ, just then served on John Dalton. The case was after I had accompanied John Dalton to Toronto, on that day, and we had seen Mr John Ross, Barrister, Solicitor, at his office on Wellington street; when a necessary affidavit in connection with the suit was taken, was then and there drawn up, and made by John Dalton, and sworn to, same day. John Dalton paid Mr John Ross $10.00 as a retaining fee.

My former report made to you at your request on the 24th February 1886, and on the 25th February 1886, in this case, you will find, contains clear, continuing on that day, a true statement of facts. These refer to them, and hence them, I preferred them carefully for you.

In John Dalton's visit to Toronto on the 25th of March last, Mr John Ross, told Dalton in my presence that neither Thomas Jarvis nor the deceased Thomas Jarvis, had any claim to that piece of property at the two mile point, on the land and head of Lake Ontario. Mr Thomas Mr John Ross, Barrister, solicitor, say, on the 1st April 1887, wrote to John Dalton, Hamilton, Ontario, the enclosed letter, which I obtained from Dalton this day, in order that you might know how the matter stands.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ont.

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John Bolton, will never become a Tenant, to Thomas Gordon, at £10 per year! see Bam, Laidlaw and Roy's letter enclosed and endorsed by me! — on this day!..

Bolton has not replied to these Bam, Laidlaw, and Roy's letter!.. But he told me he will retain a place for his Beds, and fishing shanty — on the Beach when he fishes there the same as he has done for the last 25 years! — fishing under licence in the public waters of Lake Ontario fronting on the same. —

And thus you will now see — John Boulton has not surrendered the property, — by advice of Counsel". —

And I may add John Bolton, does not intend to do so!!!. You may retain his letter...

The place is open to Lake Ontario, and has been all the time Bolton has occupied it 25 or 30 years, and I found Bolton in possession on the 5th May 1845, when I made my first visit as your Governor 22 year ago! — hip! hurrah!!. —

The letters and writ of Armour and Gordon, Barristers; Gordon the Barrister is Thomas Gordon, brother, looks apparently on the face of it, an attempt to swindle!. 25 years peaceable possession, with no such fraudulent claim made! Frustrate their knavish tricks! for the 2 Acres they claim is not there now..

I have advised and talked, and I have begged of John Bolton to be discreet and prudent in future, as he has been in the past; Bolton has signed no document surrendering his claim, and I may assure you he does not intend doing so; — He is original now days I am beginning to think have omitted. And thus it is, that we sometimes find people who should know better, trying to deceive us, and be deceitful. — Bolton will do nothing without consulting me; the action of Armour and Gordon against John Bolton, to sign away his claim to them

Mr. Dalton, wife never because a tenant to Thomas Gordon, at £10 per year; see Mr. Dalton and husband not answered by me. — on this day.

Dalton has not replied to letter of Mr. Dalton and Mr. Dalton. — But he told me he was having a place for his lads. and finding charity — on the Bargain when he quits this house so he has already the last 25 years. — Putting under house in the position of a tenant finishing on the house. —

But this you will now see — Mr. Dalton has not answered the property by reason of tenant?. —

But I may ask Mr. Dalton does not notice to do so!!! Your may tenant is letter...

The place is open to a tenant, and the tenant as the time Dalton has required it 25 or 30 years and I power Dalton in possession on the 6th April 1815 when I made my witness on your business 22 years ago! — Mr. Dalton!!. —

The letters and want of Thomas and Gordon, Dalton; Gordon the tenants is Thomas Gordon letter? Dalton apparently on the face of it as without to annulle!. 25 years peaceable possession with no and peaceable claim made! Therefore the legal truth for the 2 three that claim is not the case. —

I have endeavoured and trusted I have happy of Mr. Dalton to be obeyed and prudent in future, as he has been in the past! Dalton has expired on document assumedly his claim, and I may as sure you he does not without doing so: — Mr. Gordon and the two I am hoping to think has resolved? But this is, that as sometimes Mr. people of claims have letter, trying to deceive and to satisfy. — Dalton will as nothing without actually say so: the matter of Thomas and Gordon against Mr. Dalton, to say may his claim to them

would place them in a position to bring an action against the Fisheries Department, which they cannot make do, until they first dispose of Bolton. - - It looks like a premeditated conspiracy to deprive the Fisheries Department of their fishery licence fees as by Law established for fishing in the public waters of Lake Ontario; and their futile attempts from time to time against John Bolton, show this. -

Respectfully submitted. - -

John Baker -
"Fishery Overseer,"

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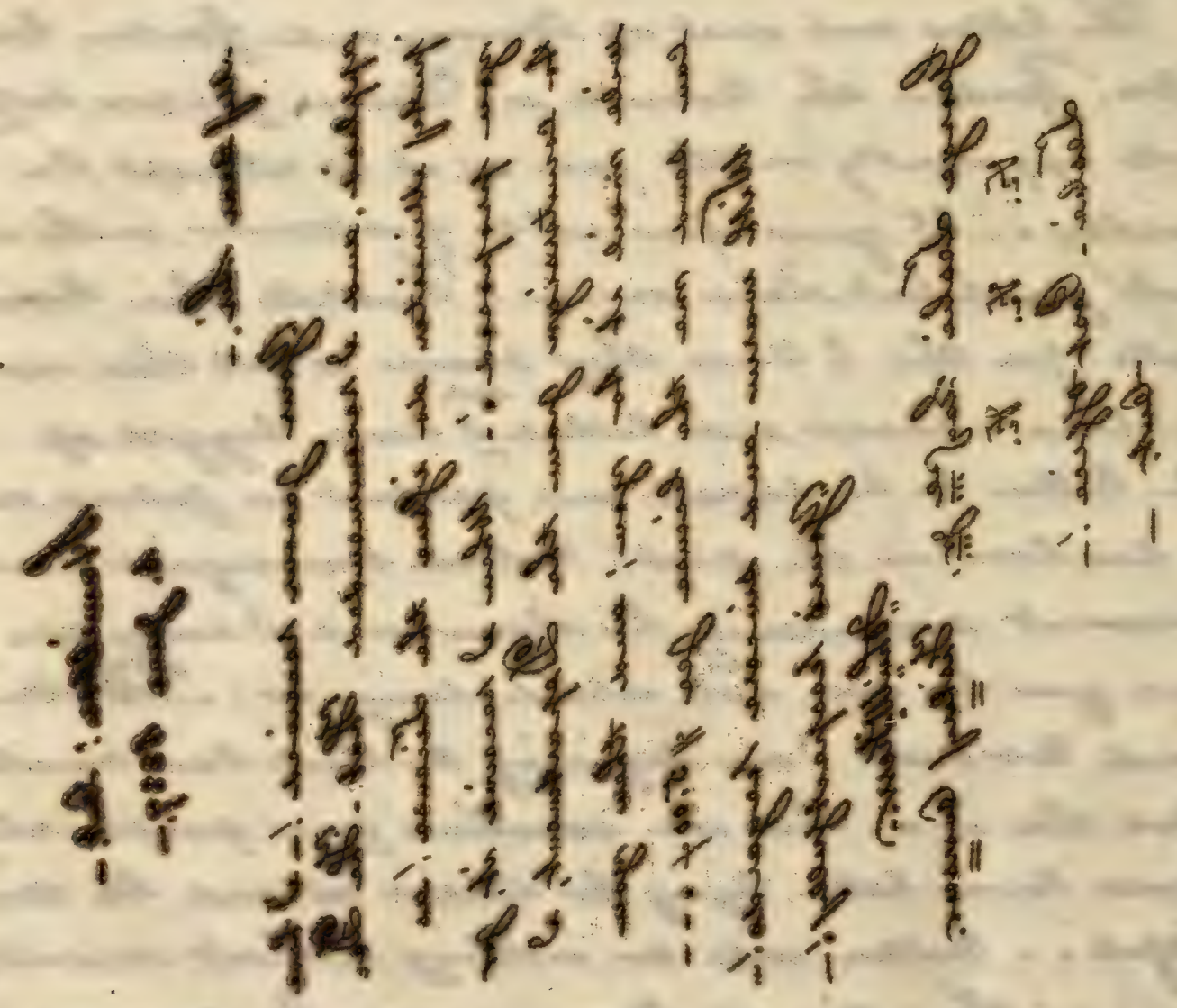
George Clarke Esq.
M.P.P.
Leeds. Chief Officer
Fish.

would place them in a position to bring
an action against the Customs Department which
they cannot make as, until that happens it
belongs. - It looks like a premeditated con-
spiracy to defraud the Customs Department
of their proper dues so by close action
relief for parties in the public matters of
state interest; and then justice attempts from
time to time against John Bailey when this.-
Respectfully submitted. - -

Mitchell Fraser -
Finlay Cameron



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May.	14th	Chester A. Harris.	For License,	15. 00.	Please refer to
—	—	Nicholas Merritt.	— License,	15. 00.	letter of 14. May 1887.
—	—	William Church.	— do License,	100. 00.	Bank draft No: 41.
—	—	Frank Wyatt. Nay,	— For License,	3. 00.	for $ 133.00 ¢. —
				Total, $ 133. 00 ¢.	
1887.					
May	31st	[illegible] Mansfield.	For License.	10. 00,	Please refer to
—	—	John Babcock.	— License;	5. 00.	my letter herewith,
—	—	Margaret Lovett.	— License;	3. 00,	dated this 2nd
—	—	Thomas Hall.	— License;	5. 00,	day of June 1887.
—	—	Frank, & Charlotte Reid: on opt.	— License,	5. 00,	Bank draft No: 93, sent here =
—	—	Isaac Clifford.	— For License,	10. 00,	with . . . .
				Total, $ 38. 00 ¢.	

Sent in obedience to your Circular 6. —

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries. —
Ottawa: Ont. —

Hamilton: Ont. —
2nd June 1887. —

John Wilkes —

Hamilton: —
Ont. —

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Hamilton! Ont.—
2nd June 1887.—

Sir...

I have the honor to send you Bank draft No; 93.— for the sum of Thirty Eight dollars.—

Will you be pleased to apply this amount as Licence fees for this current year 1887.!— as per Monthly return ending 31st May 1887.— Viz:

1. Thomas Mansfield, Frenchmans Bay:— "For a licence to be the same as last year; the amount is herewith sent."— $10.00c.—

2. John Babcock.— Burlington, "For a Boat licence, To be the same as last year"— amount only, $5.00c.

3. August Lendt.! already applied for, ... $2.00c.

4. Thomas Hand, Vienna,— "For a Boat licence to fish 5,000, yards of Herring and Trout fyke nets in Lake Ontario, fronting on the Townships of Walpole, and Grimsby!— I recommend same! $5.00c.

5. Frank and Charlotte Reid; on after licence,— already applied for! — — — $5.00c.

6. Isaac Pickard, Route, For Boat licence, already received!— $10.00c.

See return for May 1887, herewith!— Total,— $32.00c.

I recommend the same for your consideration.—

I Have the Honor to be,—
Sir,—
Your Obedient Servant.—
Wm. Wakes.—
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.—
Ottawa, Ont.—

Hamilton, Ont.

Dear ... 2nd June 1890.

I have the honor to cause you Bank cheque No: 93. for the sum of Thirty Eight dollars.

While you be pleased to apply the amount as license fees for this current year 1890. as per allowed return ending 31st May 1890. viz:

1. Thomas Allingham, Hamilton Ont. "For a licence to be the same as last year; the amount is twenty dollars" $20.00

2. John Gilbert, Burlington. "For a first licence, to be the same as last year" amount only $5.00

3. Dupont Gault, already applied for ... $3.00

4. Thomas Hunt, Milton. "For a first licence to sell 3000 quarts of Canning and Short Pile ports in bulk Cotton, pertaining on the Township of Esquesing" amount $5.00

5. Thomas and Charlotte Dick, on 1st licence, already applied for ... $5.00

6. Thomas Gilbert, Acton. "For a first licence, already received" $20.00

See return for year 1889. Amount: Total, $38.00

I remain the same for your consideration.

I have the honor to be, &c.

Your Obedient Servant,

Chas. Clement

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Finance,
Ottawa, Ont.

Finance Branch.

Hamilton C. W.
6th June 1867.

Sir,

I have the honor to apply to you for Boat and Seine Hauling licenses for the undermentioned fishermen resident on Burlington Beach:- "For a fish in Lake Ontario, during this current year; and I recommend that you will be pleased to grant the same:- Viz.

1. Moses Niblock, Burlington Beach,- "For a Boat license to fish 500 Yards of Herring Gill nets,- in Lake Ontario fronting on the township of Saltfleet." the amount is to be:- $4.00

2. Samuel Corey,- Burlington Beach:- "For do - $4.00

3. F. H. Corey.- Burlington Beach:- "For a Seine license to fish- One White fish seine 500 yards long in Lake Ontario, on fishing station No: 13,- during this current year. "Also the privilege of fishing 1000. Yards of Herring ~~gill nets of Herring~~ gill nets in Lake Ontario, fronting on the townships of Saltfleet and Grimsby." B. license. "The total amount is to be:- $15.00

4. Margret Holden,- Burlington Beach:- "For a license to fish a White fish seine in Lake Ontario on station No. 12." during this current year: 500. yds. long. "Also a Boat license for to fish 2600. yards of Herring gill nets in Lake Ontario,- fronting on the townships of Saltfleet and Grimsby:" Total amount $15.00

5. Daniel McGwyne Burlington Beach:- "For a license to fish a White fish seine 500 yards long in Lake Ontario on fishing station No: 11,- during this current year:" Also 2500. yards, Boat license, fronting on Saltfleet and Grimsby,- L. Ontario. Total amount,- $15.00

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.-
Ottawa: Ont.-

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Number 1. Cont.

Do. 6th June 1870.

I have the honor to apply to you for the next two fishing licences for the northern portion of District No. Fishing Ground.

Yours &c.

Signature of Fishing Ground.

To the Commissioner, fishing this current year.

I recommend that you will be pleased to grant the licence.

1. Alexander McIlhart, Fishing for Ground. The e East licence to part 300 yards of fishing gear net in state Fishing on the township of Lashleat. The amount is to be.

£4.00

2. Licence fee. Fishing for Ground. The e £4.00

3. Gift fee. Fishing for Ground. The e East licence to part. For little part 300 yards long in state for fishing station No: 13. fishing this current year. The privilege of fishing 1000 yards of fishing gear net in state fishing on the township of Lashleat and Finnaly. The licence The total amount is to be.

£12.00

4. Alexander Clark. Fishing for Ground. The e licence to part a little part 300 in state fishing station No. 12. fishing this current year.

300 yds long

The e East licence for to part 2000 yards of fishing gear in state fishing on the township of Lashleat and Finnaly. Total amount £12.00

5. Daniel McGregor Fishing for Ground. The e licence to part a little part 300 yards long in state fishing on fishing station No: 11. fishing this current year. The 2000 yards East licence fishing on Lashleat and Finnaly. Total amount £12.00

The Deputy Minister

Department of Fisheries.

Ottawa 1 Oct.

6. Wm. Wilcox Twigg and Wm. Dopson, Burlington Beach. — "For a Boat license to fish 3,300 yards of White fish and herring gill nets in Lake Ontario, fronting on the townships of Saltfleet and Grimsby." The fee amount is to be $5. each: total. — $10.00p.

7. Alexander Rollo and son. Burlington Beach. — "For a Boat license to fish 3,300 yards of Salmon Trout White fish; and herring gill nets in Lake Ontario fronting on the townships of Saltfleet and Grimsby during the current year." The amount is to be, including earning for Bait to catch bait, — $15.00p.

8. Duncan McGillivray. Burlington Beach. — "For a Boat license to fish 2,200 Yards of Salmon Trout, and herring gill nets in front of the townships of Saltfleet and Grimsby." I recommend that you will be pleased to grant this person a "Free license". he has a large family of small children! — — —

10. Patrick Hand, Winona! "For a Boat license to fish 5,000 Yards of Salmon Trout, and herring gill nets in Lake Ontario fronting on the townships of Saltfleet and Grimsby." The amount is to be only. — $5.00p.

11. William Hand, Winona. "For do. do. do." 5.00p.

12. John Hand, Grimsby! "For a Boat license, — — to fish 3,500 yards of Salmon Trout, and White fish, legal size, and herring gill nets, in Lake Ontario fronting on the townships of Grimsby and Saltfleet." The license fee is to be only. — $5.00p.

With due respect. —

I have the honor to be, —

&c. —

Your Obedient Servant, — — —

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Fishery Overseer. —

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Hamilton! - Ont. -
6. June 1887. - - -

My dear Ramsay! -

I wrote you on the 16th of May last, telling you what The Deputy Minister! had permitted me to do in your case! - and although 3 weeks have now passed away! - I have never once heard from you! -

The week arrangement you proposed amounts to nothing! - the 15th of June will be soon on hand, and then your fishing will be at an end unless you ~~send~~ up! your license for this current year, and the balance still due for last year! -

For here is what the Deputy Minister, "as his Order," - telegraphed me on the 21st of May 1887. -

J. W. Kerr! - "If you can safely do so, grant Ramsay's request, hold license, but permit him fish! - sign, - John Tilton." -

You now see the position you are in, - and be prepared to pay or be prepared for to quit. - - -

The Deputy Minister throws all the responsibility on to me: - but as heretofore, I expect you will deceive me, deceive him! and deceive your friend who has spoken to him for you! -

I speak plain and above board, for you are aware it is neither right nor proper that you should be fishing, who has paid nothing! just the same as the other! who have paid!!!.

You will endeavour to have all your license fee $100, - for 2. Months, for current year, 1887. -

Yours Truly, -
J. W. Kerr
Fishery Officer.

J. W. Ramsay Esq.
Town Hawks, P.O. -
Lake Erie, Mouth Bay! -

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Hamilton, 6. June 1887.

Dear Sir! - For S. O. Bennet Esqre
Victoria Department. -
Ottawa! - Ont. -

Since you have been away. - I have been called by letter from The Deputy Minister for to give him particulars as regards the Law suit brought by Munro and Gordon. - Solicitors - for Thomas Gordon, against John Bolton. - fisherman at the 2 mile Pond - in Lake Ontario, Township of Niagara! - you will have seen my report. - The more I think the matter over! the more I am led to believe! - That the present piece of land the squabble is about! - is not at all the land referred to in the Patent, granted to The Honble D. W. Smith! - My impression is, that it stood more in front of the 2 mile pond, and has been all carried away. Even within my memory, 22 years, I can observe, that several acres of

land have been washed away by severe Lake storms! from the Lake back.

My report to The Deputy Minister, of the 24th February 1886. - is clear on all particulars! you wrote me at the time, it was a good report. - Having carefully read it over today, - I am surprised and astonished at myself, to be able as I have been to make such an important report. - I gave all the facts then to The Deputy, - as they became known to me. - My letter of 25. February 1886, exhausted all I had at that date to report. My report of the 1st June, instant, will I hope satisfactorily finish up! this troublesome Lawyers grasping business. - -

Now as regards - Wm. R. Woolland's application for a 9 years, lease, made to the Deputy Minister of Marine, by the W. A. McCulla, M. P. - dated 29. April 1887. - if granted, - will create more litigation and trouble, than was ever

experienced men when things were as bad at Kilarney.- Georgian Bay, as they could be: when Mr Dawson, P.L.S. for Algoma, got the 5 years Lease, for James and Charles Stella.-

Already a friend of Woolland, has informed me of the licenses getting in part of Toronto Township!- That when Mr. A. Woolland, gets his Lease - they will have all the girl under him?.-

If Woolland, does not catch girl gallore! situated as he is at present, it is because he is too lazy himself, and wants others to do the getting for him.-

While you be pleased to send me as soon as convenient all the licenses at present applied for by me! and those applied for today!- I also want big or a dozen Timber Reports!- I have heard it well spoken of!-

I hope they report on the Mr Chalton's application for Mr. Woolland not with

your approval.--- My Nurse, is still improving!--- Do you think girl have been caught at Magnetawan!- and also a few at Mr. Beard,- in Lake Huron.--

Have you received the Honey?- It's good pure honey! please ask My Cousin, if he received not received yet, I have new Hives ready for them! one pound sections besides- for each Hive.-

I never eat Honey myself, but also love and like it, and I am so fond of Bees;- And Canada may properly be called "the the Holy Land was! the Land flowing with milk and honey;- Honey sickens some people, but if they will drink a cup of milk after eating the honey,- they will never be sick! Hence the Baptism saying: "A land flowing with milk and honey". I hope you, and family are well,! I may tell you candidly I get lonesome when some weeks go by and I dont hear from you!- Yours, &c. John Stewart &c.

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Hamilton! Ont.-
6. June 1849.-

Mr. Peter Nash!-

I sent you that day on Saturday last, paid Express charges to St. Catharines 40/. Have you received it all right, let me know if it will suit?- I have still some land about as much more,-

On receipt of this; please send me your lowest money,- and cut grain,-

But about those cattle that getting in your Barley field out,- you cannot be too particular; and when it can be done- in the morning if the girl can drive, let some and drive them alone:- If the girl can't, take them home, cut them, or give them to some person who will cut them! but on no account throw them back in the Lake, for by so doing you pollute the waters,- In the mean time to stop all the debts raised by Chief Omeeh,- John Dolson, James Hawkins,- For being the young of cattle that in your possession, and exposing to sale for debt in the public Market of St. Catharines;- in contravention of the Pilots act,- the 7th year, 1st and admission of guilty- I give you five dollars, or 20 days in Jail:- But as I view the case in a more lenient way,- than most men I will write the deputy Minister, and recommend that the fine be kept in abeyance, as a guarantee for future good behaviour,- Let me hear from you on receipt,- and send me the money at once,- and with kind regards to all, believe me -

Yours truly,-
John Hilton
&c.-

Mr. Peter Nash.-
Fisherman.-
St. Catharines.
Ont.

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Hamilton! - Ont.
7. June 1847.-

My dear Sir,

Your of the 4th instant received! I will come up by the morning Train from here on next thursday. And we will then go and see Mr. Hamilton, - and get him to sign your petition! I am very anxious for to see your scheme become a grand success. - -

I am,
Your respectfully. -
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Oisley Cooper.

S. H. Lum Esq.
Woodstock. - -
Ont.

Hamilton! Ont.
7. June 1847.-

My dear Friend! -

I have come to the conclusion to write and ascertain from you the fishing state and taste of fish in general in Georgian Bay, - and Lake Huron; so far as you have heard this year. - -

The catch and take is very good in the Legis Division of Lake Erie! - White fish, Pickerel, Herring and Sturgeon are plentiful! I had a letter from Mr. W. H. Emery, Merchant, at Port Burwell, to this effect on yesterday: he fishes Round Pots, - and I believe you can succeed in opening up a Market. - They have a large Freezer, and well managed arrangements there, with 3 Tug Boats, and the catch of 20. Odd Pots, - being handed there in fish daily, and every other day for Market.

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I saw an friend Mr. Abbot. he, two two months ago, he was to have sent me a stress of job: after he was fined Lieut Arnoldi: and in very success since when I met him; but that mass of job has not arrived yet! — He was handled very tenderly by the Department... Who feel a kind of pride in knowing, they have good men like you, John McRae, and Donald Macdonald. the gentlemen and job. Commissioners; who will not permit any breach of the Law, nor wrongness to be carried on: I am sure the Deputy Minister, at Ottawa, would be glad to make your personal acquaintance; post as you are in all matters connected with the Pilots of Georgian Bay and the Upper Lakes: whenever you want to go to Ottawa let me know and I will accompany you. You have seen one of our large Cisco! wonderful! I would like to have your opinion on the job.

An friend of mine at the Suspension bridge: Conductor on the Grand Trunk Railway: Belle Station. Mr. Daniel Abbot! I write that you to send him a few lines: by Express, and first time you send salmon to John Hamilton: put one in the Box addressed to me: — When I come down I will settle up: — My knee and leg and right thigh — are getting well! — but slowly! — sometimes my leg is a bad to comfort weather is not good, the knee, leg or thigh. I manage however to get along and do my duty.

You has been always kind to me, and this application I am satisfied is intended for good; on the 25th of this month I will have completed my 75 year! —

Glory be to God for all his kindness and mercies and blessings bestowed on me! and with my warm regards. —

D. M. Port Hope 26th Oct. Explanade! — Ontario. } Yours kindly. — D. McPherson — &c.

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Hamilton! Ont.
2. June 1897.—

My dear Nicholas!—

Please read this letter to my son Mr. Frank Williams, and let me know who he is and all about him.—

I suppose we might allow him to get in Williams, Ont.— in part of your name like Smith's below Ont!

Please read the letter and then send me your own views thereon! and what you consider is fair business for him to pay.— and send me back his letter.—

With kind regards,—

Yours truly,—

John Williams Sr.

Nicholas Smith Esq.
International Bridge.
Post Office.—
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Hamilton! Ont.—
2. June 1897.—

My dear Brother Allen!—

My thing that has in my power as a private person and Filing Office I shall always feel it incumbent on me to do for you! because I have always found you above board as a warm friend, and supporter of our Filing Law.

I am off to London and Port Stanley,— on tomorrow Thursday morning, and on my return home, I will write Mr. G.— about what you hope to:— Nothing however can be done until the Law of Conveyancing now sitting ends!— I hope to see you then, when you and I will discuss matters!—

Yours fraternally,—

John Williams—
Sr.—

J. S. Allen Esq.
Ont. Barrister

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Hamilton! Ont. –
8. June 1857. –

Mr. C. Gunsolus.–
Respected. Friend! –

Yours of the 7th inst. is received: as regards the boat you ask for, I have not yet received a reply to my application and recommendation to buy a Boat for the Fishing Season – at Burlington – on the River Thames: – as soon as I do I intend dealing with you. . . .

I am sorry to hear you are likely to be put out of your place. . . .

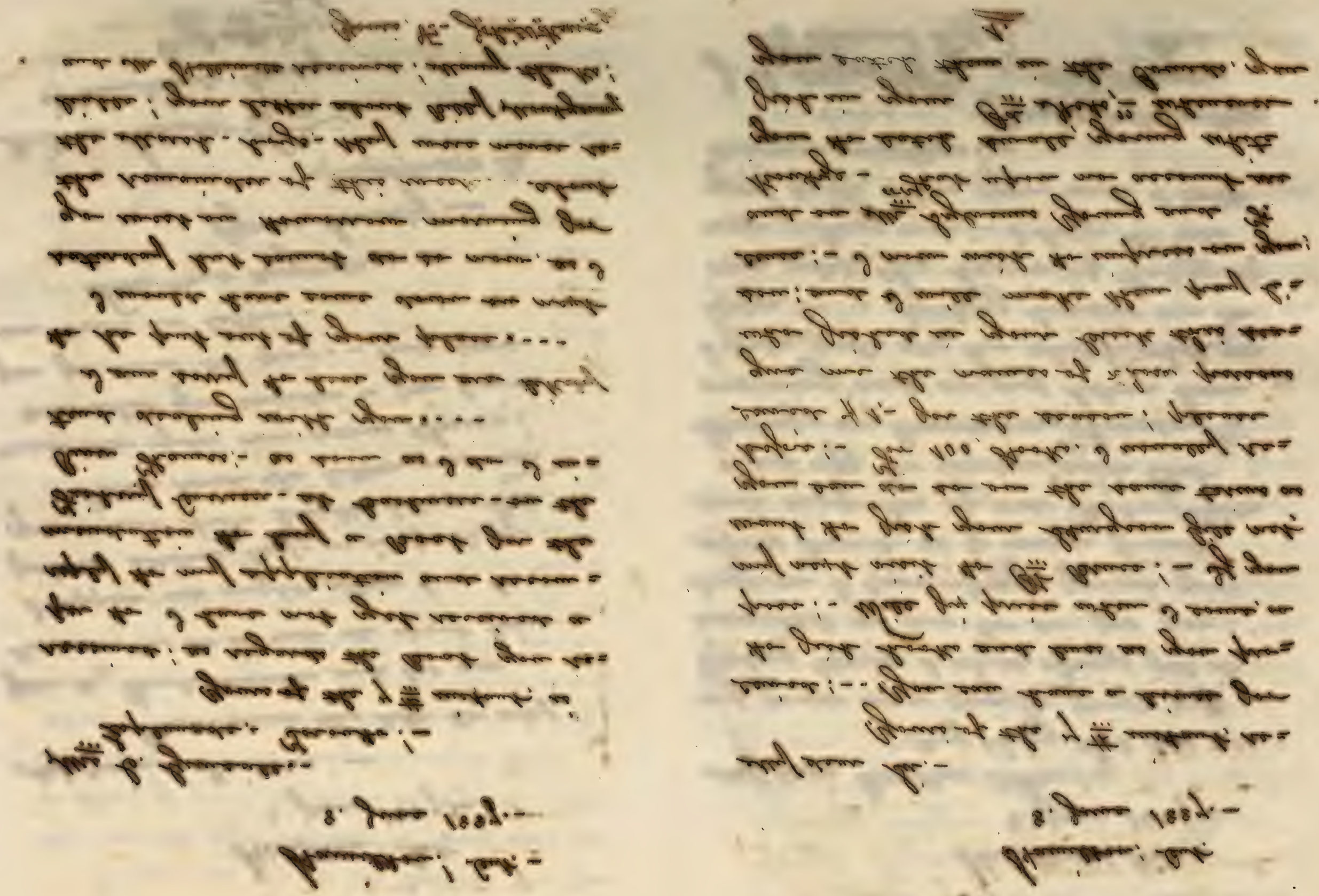
I would have come down on next saturday but cannot do so now, as I go west on Tomorrow morning for the remainder of this week. about the Marsh – boys – they were never seen thither! your letter about Riley Montgomery and Mr Williams received! many thanks!

Yours, &c. J. Wilson,

Hamilton; Ont.
8. June 1857. –

Dear Sir. –

Yours of the 7th inst. received: – You can have a dozen fish hooks and lines as you propose: – Wait for price when I come, on my next visit to Port Rence! – If you want to fish your Sturgeon file net, you can do so on the same terms as before: – For 100 Hooks, I usually received $1,– for the season; please give me the names of a few persons who fished in your Creek this season; and I will make them pay licence: – I now wish to impress on you; and on Mr Sylvanus Young and Mr Koutze – "That upon no account are you to catch small, young white fish in your Port Stets," whenever you catch them in the Creeks, you



must liberate them alive, and if you take them: that will end your fishing for the remainder of this year.

I understand you people are very fast,- But be more careful for the future!- For today I got a letter from the Department, Ottawa! complaining that Mr Stanley,- fisherman, have been catching small white fish in their Grounds,- and selling them to fish dealers in London.- I start for London and Mr Stanley,- on tomorrow morning, by order of the Department.-

It gives at least a little the penalty. Such is life!-

I hope you, and your family are in good health.- I am getting a little better over my lameness- I am reduced about 20 lbs,- I am 220, pounds still.- Believe me yours sincerely and fraternally,-

Capt. Thompson, 2,
Mr Brown, Lake

John Wilkins-
" " Jr.

O.C.
4 Do there any persons reside who fishing twice at Port Rowan.--

Please inform me on this matter also!- I mean the Mr Runnells and the other Mr Net fisherman of the Elgin Division of Lake Erie! some time ago! but some people will never grow wise!-

I expect to come up shortly and move for me, and in my behalf warn Young and Kintz they cannot be too careful: and as for my part, when these contractors of the Fisheries Act happen I have no alternative but to enforce the law!-

Yr fraternally.-
John Wilkins-
" " Jr.

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Quittung über
den Empfang:—

Von Herrn Anton
Heilmann, —
Wien:

Wien am 9. Juni 1837.

Quittung
Dieselbe:

Von Herrn Joseph Schuchter:
O.O.—

Wien am 9. Juni 1837.

Quittung über
den Empfang:—

Herrn Anton Reis, Fabrik
in der Alleegasse Nro. 1
Wien am 9. Juni 1837.

Quittung
Dieselbe:

Von Herrn Joseph Schuchter:
O.O.—

Wien am 9. Juni 1837.

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den Empfang:—

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Wien am 9. Juni 1837.

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Mr. Abraham Shaw Esq.
Frenchmans Bay. Hamilton! Ont. –
Dumbarton! – 9. June 1887. –

My dear Sir. –

Yours received! and in reply I tell you candidly I have no power to grant what you ask of me. – Either pay for a license, or give up net fishing altogether. –

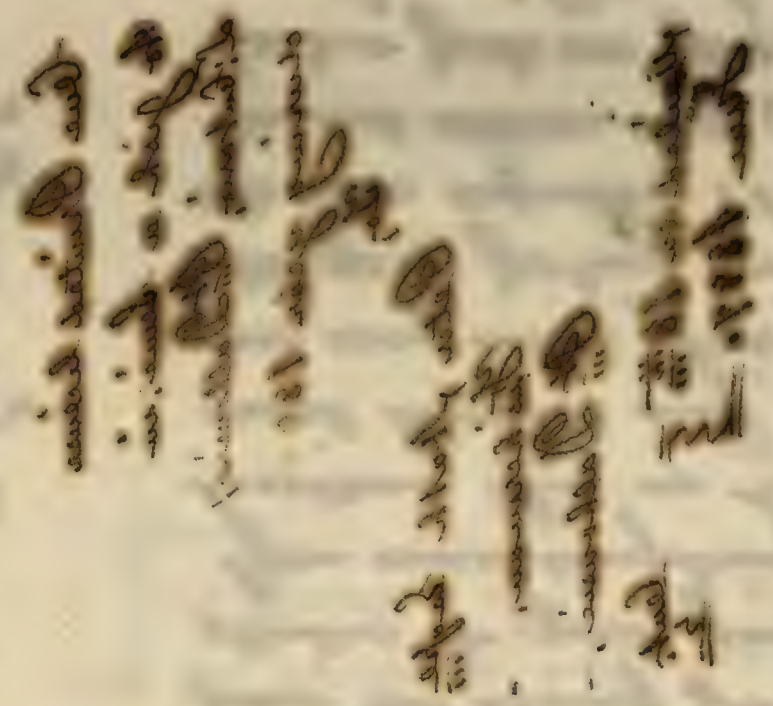
I've next assured my friend that if I happen to come to Frenchmans Bay, – and get you fishing without a license – and you were guilty, it might harm you as Light Keeper. – who is Light Keeper at the Bay at present, who employs you? – – –

"Fishing by means of Nets, or other apparatus except under licence from the Department of Fisheries, is prohibited in all the waters of Canada"

Why Mansfield pays licence every year, and pays high at that. I cannot do what you ask! –

Yours truly, John W. Kerr

Mr. Abraham Shaw
Frenchmans Bay
Hamilton
Ont.
Dumbarton
June 9th 1887.



Hamilton! Ont.
11th June 1887....

Sir.-

I am in receipt of Overseer Peter McCann's report to you of 31st of ulmy last, accompanied by a letter from J. J. Smith, T. Brook, Wm Cum, and William Diplock, of London: Fish Dealers, dated 4th June, instant, also addressed to you, complaining: - "That a quantity of White fish is being brought in to the London Market, from the Grand Lake at Port Stanley; the fish only weigh 3/4th of a pound, and 1 pound each!"

"Will you order to me fix to report thereon!"

I have to report that on the 9th June, instant, I proceeded to London, and accompanied by Peter McCann, I went to the Fish Market there, and I found exhibited for sale some white fish of the size and description complained of, and others larger marketable white fish! - thus: -

1. I had a white fish, I found on J. J. Smith's stall, weighed; it was 3/4th of a pound!..
2. I had a white fish, I found on Thomas Brooks stall, weighed; it was 3/4th of a pound!..
3. I had a white fish, I found on Wm Diplock's stall, weighed; it was 3/4th of a pound also!..
4. And I had a white fish, I found on Wm Cum's stall, weighed; it was 3/4. of a pound!..

Of course I found a few other white fish with each of these Fish dealers, weighing 3/4th of a pound, and 1. pound each; and some weighing 2 pounds, and even up to 10 and 12. pounds each...

The small white, were fish that had been taken from the larger lake and sold of white fish

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa! Ont.

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Mem.: Ent.

14th June 1859...

Jem is receipt of Gerrans letter 14th June report to you of 3rd of May last accompanied by a letter from J. J. Smith, & Brown Esq. and Mission Diplomat of Gerrans: that Gerrans dated 4th June, without, also addressed to you, complaining: That a quantity of white pit is being brought in to the Gerrans allotted, from the Gerrans what at Gerrans Mining: the pit only weighed 3½ of a pound, and 1 pound sent!:

Will you order it me for to report thereon:

I have to report that on the 9th June, instant, I proceeded to Gerrans, and accompanied by Mr Gerrans, I went to the Pit allotted thereon, and I found applicant for such have white pit of the big and accomplice complainant of, and other larger marketable white pit!: thus:-

1. I then a white pit, I found on J. J. Smith's area weighed: it was 3½ of a pound!:-
2. I then a white pit, I found on Gerrans Gerrans area weighed: it was 3½ of a pound!:-
3. I then a white pit, I found on Mr Brighton's area weighed; it was 3½ of a pound also!:
4. Then I then a white pit, I found on Mr Gerrans allotted, weighed: it was 3. of a pound!:-

By means I found a few other white pit with and of these Pit alone, weighing 3½ of a pound and 1. pound and: and some weighing 2 pound and some up to 10 and 12. pounds and &c.

The small white, were pit that has been sold as from the larger lots and total of white pit

The Report finished.

Department of Mines.

Gerrans: Ent.

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taken in Amherst State, - owned by John Bain, and John Bain, Jr. "Resident" licensed fishermen in Lake Erie, Port Stanley, during this current year. - -

"You may observe now, that the most singular part of this complaint is, That the complainants, who corroborates, Coroner McCann's complaint are themselves the Fish dealers, who "bought the small immature white fish; (the young of white fish) for at least 2, or 3 weeks: or so; until the attached printed paragraph appeared in the London Free Press. - -

The run of these small white fish, which is separate, by themselves, from the large white fish, was over for this season when I reached Port Stanley, on the 9th instant. - "The run generally ends early in June in Lake Erie!" -

Having got through my enquiry at London, on the 9th instant, I proceeded to Port Stanley, and I summoned Messrs John Bain and John Bain Jr. before me; read the reports to you, against them, by Coroner McCann and these London Fish dealers, they were and had been supplying with these young white fish! viz:-

1, John Bain, Jr. supplied J.J. Smith, and Thomas Brook! -

2, John Bain, supplied Wm Cox, and Wm Dipock.

I may here report, that I have by this time arrived at the conclusion! that these white fish, some of them at least, were the young of white fish, see sub section 9, - of section 13, - of the Fisheries Act.

I arraigned Messrs John Bain, and John Bain Jr. before me: thus: "That you did fish for, catch, and kill the young of white fish; and did have the same in your possession, and did sell said white fish, to certain Fish dealers, as - -

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herein named, resident in the City of London?" Those persons to whom Price and Allison, sold the young white girl, being complainants; "Just as deep in the filth! as the others were in the mire?"—

The charge being read over to the Defendants, by me, they pleaded guilty, and signed the same; stating amongst other things, at the same time; that they were ignorant of the Law!—

I fined each defendant, £20, without costs, or 20, days in St. Thomas Jail.—

But at the same time under the circumstances; and for the reason that they had met with great losses by a severe storm on the 14th of October last, I now recommend that the fines I have imposed be allowed to remain in abeyance as a guarantee for future good behaviour, and stricter observance of the Law!.—

I then returned from Port Stanley, to London; discussed matters with Peter McBain, I told him plainly William Cox, J.J. Smith, William Diplock, Thomas Brook; Pill dealers; were as equally liable for buying, selling, and having in their possession the young of white girl, in contravention of the Pilotage Act:—as Price and Allison were who sought them; and I charged each complainant of each of them accordingly.—

Summonses were issued, "I brought Details with me." The cases came before Peter McBain, and me, at 9. o'clock, a.m, on the 10th instant, at London; they admitted the offence, pleaded guilty, and signed the same:—I joined in, at this juncture of the proceedings, with Coroner Peter McBain: and we fined each of the

have reason, resident in the body of Christian?
Then presume to write Christ and Belial, and
yoke with God, being complainant; Just as they
in the plant; as the other were in the mire?
The charge being read over to the Defendant
by me, that pleaded guilty, and signed the same;
stating amongst other things, at the same time; that
they were ignorant of the law!
I point out defendant, you do, without
cause, or excuse in the Queens Court.
But at the same time under the circumstances;
our for the reason that they have not with part
been by a course return on the 11th of October;
I now recommend that the Juror I have suspended
be allowed to remain in abeyance on a guar-
antee for future good behaviour, and attention
towards the law!

I then returned you Cat Stanley, to choose;
between matters with Christ at Law. I then his
plaintiff Allen Ewing, Christian Objector
Queens Court; that charge; were as equally left
for trying, calling, and having in their possession
the Jury of which Cat, in contravention of the
Christian oath; as this was been were with
sought this; and I charge and complained of
and of this accordingly!

Witnesses were examined; I sought Cat and
me?: The case was tried before Justice, and
me, at p. [illegible], a.m. on the 11th instant at
Christian; they retained the appeal, planned
guilty, and signed the same: I point in, at
this Justice of the proceedings, with Barrow
Cat Christian: and we point out of the

Defendants, $20, without costs, or 20 days in London Jail. - Telling them, they were as bad in every respect, as Messrs Price and Bellows, who caught the girl. - - - Seen more on, for after complaining, they continued to buy and sell the girl: - and have them in their possession, even up to the 9th instant, when I appeared on the scene: and I found the young of White girl, as herein reported to you.

I recommend that the fines, imposed on Wm Cox, J.J. Smith, Wm Diplock, and Thos Brock, be held in abeyance as a guarantee for future good behaviour! I am now satisfied the like will never happen again. -

Leaving on the facts herein for your information. - And with due respect. -

I have the Honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant. -
H. Walker
Bailiff Comm.

P.S.

I would respectfully recommend if you approve of my report, that you will write a caution to me admonishing these people to be more careful in future and send to me, that I may read the same to them. -

Yours respectfully. -
H. Walker - P.S. -

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Wm. H. Lacey Esq.re Hamilton! Ont.
Merchant, &c. &c. } 18. June 1867.-

My dear friend Mr. Lacey!-

Your welcome letter came safely to hand and I feel pleased I can assure you, at your success in obtaining Mathias licence for 2. and the Reeve of Houghton 1. making 3 additional Pockets and licences you have secured with licence for fishing the other 5. Total 8. -- I wish you success. ---

I saw in a St. Thomas News paper on thursday last, that Brown and Rathbone had been making large hauls of fish in their Pound Nets. -- I would advise whatever they do, Keep it to themselves!! ---

I wrote you some time ago, to liberate the small white fish alive! has your man been doing this!!! - My reason for advising you on this subject, was! being aware as I am that there is a run of small white fish every year, and so as a warning to put you on your guard!! and with all other Pound Net

fishermen at Pt. Burwell, - Keep your within bounds, and prevent your all from catching the Young of white fish, having them in your possession and selling them in contravention of the Fisheries Act: please read sub section 9.- of section 13. of the Fisheries Act! at page 10. ...

It appears Messrs. John Price and John Colleen Jr. of Pt. Stanley, - "Not having the fear of God before their Eyes!" nor the Terrors of the Laws of their Country! fished for - caught and Killed and did possess the young of white fish, in contravention of the Fisheries Act. —

It appears they sold the fish to fish dealers in London: named Wm. Cann, J.J. Smith. J. Brook, and Wm. Diplock. - They exhibited them for sale, and did buy and sell them! —

Peter McCann, the fishery Overseer at London finding the fish in the Market at London, reported to the same to The Deputy Minister: and got the 4, fishermen, herein named to corroborate him: by a report to The Deputy

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Minister also:.. The Deputy Minister sent me copies of the reports to received, with instructions to me, to report thereon!.-
I proceeded to London on last thursday, went to the Fish Market, and found white fish in the stalls of the Fishermen named herein; who made the report. One white fish was 1/2. a pound, and 3 white fish, was 3/4 th of a pound each: the fish were in the stalls exhibited for sale; and after complaining: they continued buying and selling the immature young white fish.-
I fined each of these fish dealers £20. or 20. days in Jail; and I recommended that the fines be allowed to remain in abeyance as a guarantee for future good behaviour.-- I also fined John Price and John Ellison J.r £20. each, without costs, or 20 days in Jail; they pleaded ignorance of the Law.- In consequence of which, and the losses they sustained by the storm of the 14th October last, I

recommended these fines also, be allowed to remain in abeyance as a guarantee for future good behaviour.--
You will thus see by this letter, that I was near you on thursday and friday last.- My report was sent to Ottawa! recording the facts as they happened.-
On my return home, I received orders for to proceed to Fort Erie!- I shall not go there until Tuesday next.--
Only these things happened, I would have been to St. Catharines, amongst my esteem friends before this.--
Well I must live in hopes! and now in conclusion: permit me to thank you for the valuable information your letters always contain!- My knee is still improving, sometimes my leg is as it were in heavy marching order, a load to carry: otherwise I am well, "frequently asked if I have been sick;" we are all well and with warm regards to you and yours
Believe me as usual: John O'Keefe J.P.

minister also: — The Deputy Minister sent me copies of the reports to consider, and in-structions to me, to report thereon! —

I presume it comes to her through, first to the Civil Secretary, and perhaps with him in the absence of the Lieutenant-Governor; who made the report, for which I was paid some £5, a pound, and I with Pat, was £4 ½ of a pound each: the girl was in the whole exhausted for hale; and often complaining: that sentence lying and sob-bing the numerous young with Pat. —

I spent half of those Pat dollars if I do or do stay in Jail; and I recommended that the Pins be allowed to remain in abeyance or postponed for getting yet balance. — The Pins for the Chief and the Deputy Minister £ 120. each, without half, or 60 stay in Jail: that placed upon-rence of the Chief. — In consequence of which, and the terms they authorised by the Chief of the 14 Dollars had I

recommended the Pins also, he ob-tained the remain in abeyance or post-ponte for getting yet balance. —

You will thus see by this letter that I was near you on Thursday and yesterday. — My report was sent to Ottawa! remaining the part as they happened. —

On my return home, I received orders for to proceed to Fort Rae! — I should not go thus until the Deputy Minister reply. —

Only these things happened, I would have been to Fort Resolution, messenger and return yesterday before this. —

Now I must bid in haste! and now in conclusion: permit me to thank you for the valuable information your letter of yesterday contains! — My time is little engaged, sometimes and by is as it were in heavy alternating from, a hour to every afternoon I am made. Frequently rather of I have been quite; for we are all well and with warm regards to you and your Believe me as usual: Sincerely &c.

Hamilton: Ont.-

Sir.--- 13. June 1887.--

I have the honor to send you bank draft, No: 125. for the sum of Twenty dollars.---

Will you be pleased to apply this amount for this current year, Viz, as follows:- Viz.:

1. Jonathan Berry, Burlington Beach;-- For a license granted him for to fish a Seine 250. yards long in Lake Ontario during the year 1886.- on fishing station No: 1.- amount was.-- $5.00.-

2. Peter Hall, Port Dalhousie;- For a Boat license to fish 2.000. yards of Salmon Trout, White fish and Herring Gill nets, in Lake Ontario, fronting on the Townships of South and Grantham: for year 1887.-- The amount is.--- herewith, $5.00.-

3. Daniel McGynne, Burlington Beach;- For a Boat license to fish 2.500 yards of Herring Gill nets in Lake Ontario, fronting on the Townships of Saltfleet, and Grimsby, during this current year of 1887.-- The amount is herewith.- $5.00.-

4. Margret Folds- Burlington Beach! on account of Fishing licen[illegible] already applied for!. $5.00.-

Total.- $20.00.-

I Have the Honor to be,

Sir.-

Your Obedient Servant.---

John Tilton.-

Fishery Commr.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.-
Ottawa! Ont.-

Hamilton: &c.

&c. ... 13. June 1887. ...

I have the honor to send you herewith also: 125. for the use of Township Hall ...

While you be pleased to apply the amount for this annual year. It is as follows: –

1. Jonathan Ford, Burlington Beach: – For a house provided him for to fit a class 250. pupils living in said Township during the year 1886. – on finding statistics pls: 1. amount due ... $25.00 –

2. Peter Park, Cut Stalbans: – For a Hall house to fit 2.000. people of Lulburn Grant, which fit our Township Hall rents in said Township, pending on the Township of Lourth and Fourteen: for year 1887: – The amount is ... Twenty $25.00 –

3. Simon Pilgrim, Burlington Beach: – For a Hall house to fit 2.500 people of Township Hall rents in said Township, pending on the Township of Lut. Fleet, and Finally, during this current year of 1887: – The amount is Twenty $25.00 –

4. Margret Stile, Burlington Beach: on account of finding house accounts applicant for: $25.00 –

Total ... $120.00 –

I have the honor &c.

&c. –

Jno. Stalbert Lucent. – – –

Chairman –

The Township Clerk
Township of Stalbert –
Ottawa: &c. –

Stating Account

Hamilton! - Ont. -

Sir. -

16. June 1897. --

I am in receipt of your letter of the 8th June instant, stating:-- "This Department is advised from the International Bridge, Niagara River, that great dissatisfaction is expressed against Fishermen being allowed to haul their seines in that neighbourhood to the injury of Scott and his fishing."-

"Will you please enquire into the matter, and report?" - -

In obedience to your orders I proceeded to Fort Erie on last Monday and enquired into the charges against the accused Fishermen! Orris; Everitt, who seine fishes in the Niagara River, between Gilmour Road and the International Bridge?" - I found no foundation for the false charges preferred!!!. -

Everitt, has found that haulo, within the space referred to, and I may tell you without fear of contradiction! - That no anglers have ever fished with Scott and his within the limits thus described. - As for B. A. Harris, the other licensed seine fishermen in the Niagara River, at Fort Erie, he has never fished within 1/4th of a mile of the International Bridge! So that this alone should clear Harris from the foul accusation made to you against these fishermen. - -

Below the International Bridge, there is one seine Hauling ground: - Commencing at Steffman's wharf, and down the river to French Creek. - -

It appears, it is about [illegible] seining ground a fine is now raised by a Mr [illegible] man, a relative of

The Deputy Minister
Department of Fisheries,
Ott[illegible], Ont.

A.

Sir -

Washington, D.C.
16 June 1909.

Have in receipt of your letter of the 5th June instant, stating:- "The Department is anxious for the determination during Congress this session of a question as to the right of Chinese laborers to be admitted into the United States, and I have the honor to request that you furnish me with the opinion of that court in this matter."

In answer to your letter I transmit herewith the opinion of the Supreme Court of the United States, rendered in the case of Fong Yue Ting vs. Fisher, which is the latest decision of the Court upon the question of the right of Chinese laborers to be admitted into the United States. In this opinion the Court has decided that the Act of Congress of May 5, 1892, authorizing the deportation of Chinese laborers who shall not have obtained certificates of residence, is constitutional.

Very respectfully,
Department of Justice,

Attorney General.

Buffalo, U.S.- who now keeps the Sherman House, situated in Victoria; Township of Bertie; about 400, yards down the Niagara River, from the International Bridge; she has made many fruitless attempts to control the fisheries of the Niagara River, from time to time, to her Whiskey House; as my former reports to the Department will inform you.- Fronting the Sherman House, in the Niagara River, is Huffman's wharf, and here off this wharf, angling is carried on at present for suckers, chub and herring.- To this wharf, one of the Ferry Boats, land her Passengers, every half hour during the day- from Black Rock, composed to a large extent of anglers from the City of Buffalo U.S.- The Proprietors of this Ferry Boat, also favours angling as I hear. I saw nine persons fishing off this wharf on last monday, and from enquiries made, I found out they were all Americans!- not a Canadian amongst them.- They had fishing rods, hooks and lines; and were catching herring and suckers, when I was there.- Smith, who fishes on the seine hauling ground below this wharf, has never interfered with these people, his seine fishing is all done at night.- He never frequents Mrs Shermans whiskey shop; he never drinks liquor.- Our Canadian people are not much given to angling about the International Bridge, at the present day.---

It is the sewage from the City of Buffalo, here in the Niagara River fronting on Fort Erie all the time from the Trunk sewer, supplemented with large loads of filth,- dumped in to the Niagara River, below the International

Supplement, N.B. with some Copy of Memorial
entitled in Indians, Township of Charlotte, about 40
yards down the Pickeyane River from the Schooner
Trade Bridge, who has made many Questions of
Enquiry to Captain Gibbons of the Pickeyane River
from time to time, to his Knowledge those Enquiries
as may Persons Reports to the Department made to
them yours. Knowing the Memorial Stone, in the
Pickeyane River, is Supposed entirely out from off
this entirely supposing is Service as at present Be-
longing, that our Training. — In this entirely as
of the Stony Creek, Lower for Conveyance, may by
have claiming the Land. From Albert Creek con-
ceived to a large extent of Supplies from the
Side of Supply N.B. — The Proprietors of
this Stony Creek, also Persons supposing as I have
I have what persons fishing off this entirely as
last mentioned, and Have Enquiries made, I
present not they were all Questions. — what
a Somebody Enquiry them. — They have Said-
ing Creek, Creeks and Lines; and were Establishing
Long and Creeks, when I were there. — Consult
with Pickeyane as the same Enclosing Persons Below
this entirely has never interfered with these People
his Lands fishing is all done at my Ill. — the
never frequents this Memorial entirely Stony;
never Results Injury. — Our Somebody People
are not much given to supposing about the
determined Bridge, at the present day. — —
It is the Conveyance from the Side of Supply
Line in the Pickeyane River Pointing on Left hand
side the time from the Church Corner, supplemented
with Orange Leads of Gilt, Charged in to
the Pickeyane River, below the determined

Bridge,' almost in front of Buffaloes office, but on the American side of the Niagara River.--

I saw one of these Barges, that has it appears, done harm to the Fisheries, at this work on Saturday last, when I made my visit of inquiry, and Fishermen and other people now say:- This is damaging and injuring the Fisheries of the Niagara River, by polluting its waters.--

Thus you will again see, that it is not Messrs Smith, and Harris, who injure the fish, and the Fisheries about the International Bridge at Vittoria or Victoria.--

Mrs Sherman, (a Brawling woman,) as people say; knows very well, that it is contrary to our Laws, to allow Foreigners, Anglers without permits from Black Rock, and Buffalo, to fish as Anglers in Canadian Waters, but on this head they complainants to you are silent.--

Then again, Seine fishing ceases in the Niagara River, this month, and will not be resumed again before next fall, you will thus observe that even a shadow of complaint does not exist.

As regards American Anglers, as I saw them, if you wish me to stop them fishing, I can do so, instantly:- I saw 12, persons altogether, angling in Canadian waters, viz. 3. women, 3, men and 6, boys, on last monday afternoon.- Everett, has never meddled with them; and I, not having any orders from you, advised within myself, I came to the conclusion, that it is better for me to give you the facts, and ask you for advice and instructions.-- "I am prepared to carry out your Orders."-- Mrs Sherman, is benefitted by the American anglers, and she by her influence over others,

Duchess, I cannot be part of this business without, but as the Business sits of the Princess Elizabeth — I am sure of this Duke, that she is opposed, above have to the Children, at this work or other, and that when I made my point of coming, most Gentlemen and other people were sent: This is discovering and injuring the Children of the Princess Elizabeth, by publishing the matter — Thus you will argue Sir, that it is not Worthy Honestly, and Honour, with injure the Girl, and the Children about the determined Duke or Nothing or Nothing. —

Mr. Harrison, (a Bowling member) as people say: Thus may well, that it is nothing to our Cause, to allow Principles, Duke without point you Blank Duke, and Duke, to Girl or Children Notes, but as this have the Complainants to you are silent. —

Mr. argument, Sir Nothing Cause in the Princess Elizabeth, this matter, and will not be taken argument before may Girl, you will this Cause that our or Children of Complaint are not point.

Mr Duke Harrison Duke, as I am Mr, if you work me to say Mr Nothing, I am or Worthy: — I am 12, persons altogether, Duke in Harrison notes, Duke 3, persons, 3, men and Duke, or last monday afternoon. — Lastly Sir never modelled with them, and I not having any Cause you, admire within myself, Cause to the Harrison, that it is better for me to give you the Girl and not you for cause and in Attention. — I am prepared to carry out your Duke." — Mr. Harrison, is transferred by the Harrison Duke, and sit by his explanation over other

Hamilton, Ont.
24. June 1867.

My dear Patterson!

Will you be pleased to send me your Licence Money of 1866 on receipt, as was given upon! - by me to you. - I will be send the account to the Department, before the end of this month. - Send you your licence. - I hope you are well and catching abundance of fish. -

Do every thing legally, upright and according to Laws, Rules and Regulations. - With best regards.

Yours Truly,
[illegible] &c.

Daniel Patterson Esq.
Collector of Fishery,
Meaford, Ont.

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This to be sent to Mr. Fish Inspector, to Meaford, supposing Mr. Fish Inspector, to be in Meaford. One copy to the Fish Inspector in this city, and the original to be forwarded to Meaford. - Should it happen that you are absent from Meaford, you will please open the letter addressed to Mr. Fish Inspector &c.

&c.

Your obedient Servant,
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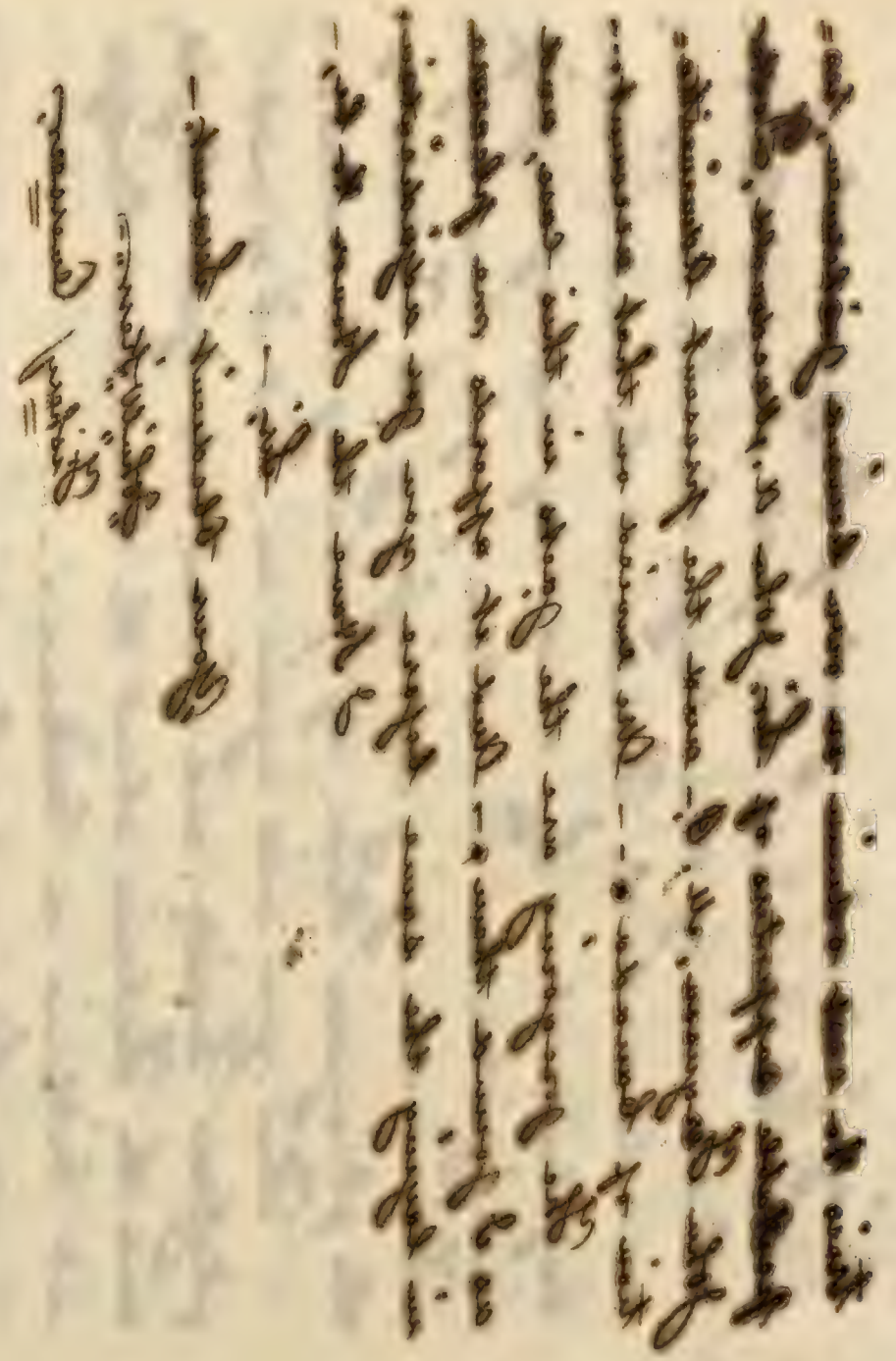
Fishery Commr.



Hamilton! Ont. —
17. June 1887. —

Dear Sir. —

Yours of the 11th instant, received! reminding me as you say according to agreement at the Doyles, about the lot, &c. — —

What you proposed to do, then! was to go and see the Jus: Lacent, and consult him about the title! that done, if he advised you; you were to pay me of 50. — cash down! and I was to give you time to pay me the balance, by taking a Mortgage on the property for the just payment of said amount. —

With reference to next September, your letter is the just intimation I have had about it. — Have you carried out the agreement pure and simple! you might be in possession of the lot before this. —

1.

"And so you would like a few lines from me, to take possession of it." —

You are very innocent, and you may perhaps take me to be green. — —

The lot can now remain as it is! — And you can tell the person who advised you the contract, and write me such a letter, that I said so. —

Yours, &c.

John Wilson

Mr James Cumpson,
Niagara, Ont.

2.

Dear Sir, — 17. June 1887. —

Yours of the 11th instant

received, reminding me as you very courteously do of the Chapter, which

I shall be. —

What you propose to do, I

see by one and the same: I have, and

should like, what is said, that there

is a minister yet; you see he just

now & so. And then, and I see by you

that this is just as the Cabinet, by

nothing & theology as the property

of the joint property of such account. —

Will return it next September

when is the joint interests I have the chief

is. — Then you consider not the opinion

most just one and simple: you might be

in possession of the let before this. —

Dear sir yours sincerely & yours truly

J. M. Ferrier Esq. of &c."

Yours very sincerely, and yours very

faithfully, for me to be yours. —

The let see, now, remain as it is!

But you see the Pension are entirely

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a letter, that I send &c. —

Yours, &c.

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Hamilton! Ont. -
17. June 1887. -

Sir. -

I have the honor to send you Bank draft No: 138. for the sum of Twenty dollars. ---

Will you be pleased to apply this amount for this current year, as follows! viz.:

1. Henry M. Sheppard, Queenston! The bait hauling license to fish in the public waters of the Niagara River; at Queenston! already received and delivered?? - The amount is! - $10.00.

2, William Scott & Boy. - Ridgeway! - For a Boat license to fish 8.000, Yards of Stagem, Pickerel and Herring gill nets! in Lake Erie, fronting on the Township of Bertie? I recommend that you will be pleased to grant this license; amount is, $5.00. -

3. Salsbury Wright, Whitby. - For a Boat license to fish 2.000. Yards of White fish gill net, and hauling seine, in Lake Erie, at Short Point, and fronting on the Township of Pickering? - I recommend that you will be pleased to grant this license; amount is also; $5.00. -

Total. - $20.00. - +1

Respectfully Submitted,
and Recommended! - - -

I have the Honor to be,
Sir, -
Your Obedient Servant. -

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa! - Ont. -

John Kerr. -
Fishery Overseer,

Hamilton, Ont.

Sir,

17 June 1897.

I have the honor to send you herewith No. 138, for the sum of Twenty dollars.

Will you be pleased to apply the amount for the current year, as follows, viz:

1. Library Appropriation, Assessment: The license authorizing licensee to pick in the public streets of the City of Hamilton, Ontario, Assessment assessed at: $10.00

2. Wholesale Liquor & Inf. Dispensary: The license licensee to pick $3000. Person of Company, Business carrying pick on in Ontario this, Province of the City of Hamilton? Assessment that you make to please to grant the license: amount is: $5.00

3. Tobacco Manufacturer Wholesale: The license licensee to pick $3000. Person of Public Pick in Ontario at Place Point, carrying on Province of Ontario? Assessment that you make to please to grant the license: amount is also: $5.00

Total: $20.00

Respectfully submitted,

your Assessment: ...

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

Chief Inspector of Licenses,

Toronto, Ont.

Wm. H. Emery Esq.
Lieut. &c.

Hamilton! Ont. —
18. June 1887. —

Mt. Burnett, Ont.

My dear Mr. Emery. —

This day, 41. years ago, I was in the Morning Post, Dublin! looking at the Review of Our British Troops, Horse, Foot, and Artillery! celebrating the great victory won by Wellington, at Waterloo; "For he was the bravest of the brave!" I was then on my way to this glorious country, so Loyal and True to the British Empire, The Queen! Her Crown, Dignity, and the British Constitution!!! —

I have lived under your Crown here, from the 25th June 1846. when George, the 3rd reigned! after him followed George the 4th and then followed William the 4th and we had seen our good Queen, we too, Victoria and her glorious Jubilee: but the memory of William for me! — It is a great loss,

I am not an Orangeman, as my father, and grandfather! nevertheless I am true and loyal as they were. —

I am always delighted to hear from you! at all times, because it appears to a great deal of pleasure when you say Mrs. Emery and your family are well. and your business is going along nicely! — I think if God endows me with his blessing! that I will remain here here on Sunday next, and then, what will you say! will you be, that I will buy a horse to ride, who is kindly humbled to in my affliction! ... It is my will and desire to write Gordon — such a letter as will leave a lasting impression, and to remind him, what I am done and gone! that I have written a sermon to that kind letter about his months afternoon when I began to get well! and remember and bear in mind that it is no small business for to write a letter to a Boy that will be pleasing,

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[illegible] 19 June 1887.

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[illegible] 22nd day of June 1887 [illegible] the Honorable Sir Charles Todd, Knight of the Order of the Bath, Knight Commander of the Order of the Indian Empire, and Companion of the Order of the Bath; [illegible] Colonial Secretary, [illegible] Colonial Treasurer, [illegible] Commissioner of Crown Lands, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Works, [illegible] Commissioner of Railways, [illegible] Commissioner of Education, [illegible] Commissioner of Agriculture, [illegible] Commissioner of Stamps, [illegible] Commissioner of Land Tax, [illegible] Commissioner of Customs, [illegible] Commissioner of Navigation, [illegible] Commissioner of Trade and Commerce, [illegible] Commissioner of Mines, [illegible] Commissioner of Forests, [illegible] Commissioner of Fisheries, [illegible] Commissioner of Patents, [illegible] Commissioner of Copyrights, [illegible] Commissioner of Trade Marks, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Health, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Instruction, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Works, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Lands, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Roads, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Bridges, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Buildings, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Parks, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Gardens, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Baths, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Libraries, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Museums, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Hospitals, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Asylums, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Prisons, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Schools, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Colleges, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Universities, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Institutions, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Societies, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Associations, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Companies, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Corporations, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Boards, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Committees, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Councils, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Assemblies, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Meetings, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Conventions, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Congresses, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Conferences, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Lectures, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Exhibitions, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Fairs, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Markets, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Shows, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Games, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Sports, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Amusements, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Entertainments, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Recreations, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Pastimes, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Diversions, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Pleasures, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Delights, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Joys, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Happiness, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Felicity, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Bliss, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Ecstasy, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Rapture, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Transport, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Conveyance, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Carriage, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Vehicle, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Horse, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Mule, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Donkey, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Ass, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Camel, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Elephant, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Lion, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Tiger, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Bear, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Wolf, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Fox, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Hyena, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Jackal, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Leopard, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Panther, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Cheetah, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Lynx, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Ocelot, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Jaguar, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Puma, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Cougar, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Mountain Lion, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Tiger Cat, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Wildcat, [illegible] Commissioner of Public Bobcat

Dear that will make a good impression. My Wife and my family propose to go to the City on next Tuesday to see the Jubilee procession; I will stay home, keep the house and write this letter!... I have seen a good many parades during my life time!...

Now as regards Price and Ellis, Count Pot-Jolicœur, et Cie. Lady, is it not fortunate for them and the Irish dealers, that Ellis was released to me! –

Mere Jolicœur, the reply to my report, lui! – Copy – Ottawa, 18. June 1887. –

The action which you took in the matter of catching and selling young White Girls, as reported in your letter of 11th instant, is approved of. – The fines imposed upon John Price and John Ellis, the two Irish dealers of London, may have in abeyance as a guarantee for future good behaviour: but you will please warn the two Jolicœurs never above that, should they again be found guilty of similar violations of the law, their licenses will be cancelled. –

I am, &c. &c. &c.

John A. Macdonald
Hamilton! – Cert.

Sgd. John Ellis,
Chief Minister of Police.

Dad so you will now see that these cases have all ended! – my three girls send better today. – about long journey I only fear and as becomes necessary: – Leave this buf.ne p.l. is quite enough! he is safe to have and safe to govern! he should if he knew how; have said you have blessed me your Lordship, and so you must obey my orders...

But the first party, previous to the last Dominion Election, entirely avoided participation out in, – and he is now a lingering invalid with both parents and publicity! curse for me, – Mere Ellis

He now has been appointed to have the first party. He should retain your

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Willie! is it is the time to bring your personality and publicity. - The two letters give up Willie, or you have into the hands, - and show Lorain the R — s, the head. -

Oh my country! I love thy glorious name. - To what a degrading position he has brought himself, and the party. -

I know have nothing about the Commission yet, and I dont expect to, until the session is over. . . .

It was lucky for Ohio and Illinois, that they came place ignorance of the Law; read section 18, of the Illinois act. . . .

On reading my former letter, you will observe that the Spy printer, just does, what I recommended in the same case, "spare no! time no money to do it; Now!!! the or else! Money transfer may be easily borne, and the shame! please cut my name off the footer, above the letter I sent the other letter. It will be a surprise. . .

Believe me Faithfully Yours! John W. Wilson

(Rep. Org.)

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P.S.

I hope Sir John A. Macdonald! Premier of Canada, will have enough, and sufficient to keep the House in Session! and pass them, from the Treasury Department congratulate.

Her Majesty, on her completing her 60 years reign, of the British Empire!!!. God save the Queen.

J. W. Wilson

Hamilton! Ont. —

Sly dear Sir! — 18, June 1887. —

I send you herewith the decision of the Deputy Minister, Department of Fisheries, Ottawa, in reply to charges preferred against you by the Local Crown and the four fish dealers at London.

Please govern yourself in future accordingly.

John Price Esqre — I am, Yours truly,
Commd. Det Fisherman, } John W. Kerr —
Port Stanley; Ont. } Fishery Overseer.

Sir! — Copy, Ottawa, 15. June 1887. —

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The fish superintendent says the Glen Pit and the Glen Pit men at Glencoe may use in salmon as a specimen for getting spawn for Ottawa; but you will please warn the fishermen concerned that they must release the young of salmon which they may take in the Glen Pit.

Hamilton, Ont.

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Hamilton! Ont. —

My dear Sir. — 18. June 1887. —

Having reported to the Deputy Minister, Department of Indian Affairs, the action taken by you and me on the 9th and 10th instant in reference to your report and the Jones Falls Indian report against the Chief, Pat Jacobs & Mr Hendry, for cutting and selling young white pine, the following decision has been given in the case and intimated by me this day. You will please now do same for Mess.rs Brant and Hay. Fall evidence I have sent Mess.rs John Price and John Brant a copy for their information. I hope you and family are in the enjoyment of good health. My kind & best compliments. I have been to Fort Erie, and Lake Erie; this week ... Not sent for the minutes. — I am, Yours Sincerely,

Peter McLean Esq.re
Tilbury Center,
London, Ont.

Peter McLean
Tilbury Center

Copy!

Sir! — Ottawa, 15. June 1887. —

The action which you took in the matter of cutting and selling young white pine, as reported in your letter of 11th instant is approved of. The price imposed upon John Price and John Brant and the Jones Falls dealers of Toronto may remain as a guarantee for future good behaviour, but you will please now do the Department some show that, should the occasion be found giving rise to suspicion of the same, their bonds will be forfeited. —

I am Sir, —
Your Obedient Servant,
(Signed) John Lowe
Superintendent of Indian Affairs.

John W. Ross Esq.re
Hamilton, Ont. 3

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Hamilton! Ont.—
22nd June 1877.—

Sir.—

I have the honor to send you herewith Bank draft No: 148. for the sum of Twenty five dollars....

Will you be pleased to apply this amount for this current year, as follows:—

1. John W. Ramsay.—of Ridgeway! On account of a License, for the fish Pound Nets.—in Lake Erie, at Low Banks! Amount now sent is.— $25.00.

2. Robert Hall, Burlington Beach!—For a Boat license to fish in Station No: 10. (2nd) Big Hundred yards of Herring gill nets, which is situated in Lake Ontario, on Burlington Beach.— The amount is to be.— $5.00.

I recommend that you will be pleased to get this license to Robert Hall.—

3. Frank Williams, Bertie!—For a license to fish a small seine in the Niagara River, commencing on the East side of Frenchman's Bank, thence down the River for 1320 yards, or 3/4 of a mile. The seine is to be 75 yards long!—and the amount is to be, $5.00.

I recommend this application for your consideration!.— The locality is in the Township of Bertie!— Respectfully Submitted.—

I have the Honor to be,
Sir,—
Your Obedient Servant,—
W. Hill Jun.
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa! Ont.

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Alex. Robertson Esqre
Drogheda! –
Carlisle, Co. Antrim
but

Hamilton! – but.
26th June 1870 –

My dear Sir. –

On receipt, will you be so good as to send me the remaining six lines, Viz. on saturday next if possible, but of your Italian Handlines I must splendid swarms. – The first swarm came off on the 8th instant, and the 8th swarm on yesterday. – They are the most docile and pleasant bees to handle I have ever seen! not a single sting although I have been amongst them with bare hands, my coat off, and no covering over my face. – –

The last swarm I put in a hive with comb and frames having some honey in it. – Then I have had three swarms of black bees, besides the Italians, and I expect several more from them daily. – Once there are three lines to swarm yet. – One of these may come off the day – the other not for a week. –

Then I may have maiden swarms, for my three first swarms are very strong, and their pasturage is very good and plentiful around here! and the season is most excellent. – I hope your first transferring of honeycomb amongst your bees, as you desire. – – I must get another Italian swarm from you after a little. –

I will come over by the 14th of July, and will bring you some money. –

Kindly remember me to my friends, Mr. Wolseley, and to their good natured family. – I hope you and family are in the enjoyment of good health. – And with my warm regards. –

Believe my friend Sam; and his brother to be careful about the bees and single stuff. – God bless the Queen! – Her Jubilee passed off well and satisfactorily to all her Loyal subjects. – Yours sincerely. –

S. Hillkirk. –

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Daniel Lang Esq.
Eagle P.O. Hamilton! Ont.
Ont.

24. June 1887.

My dear Sir,

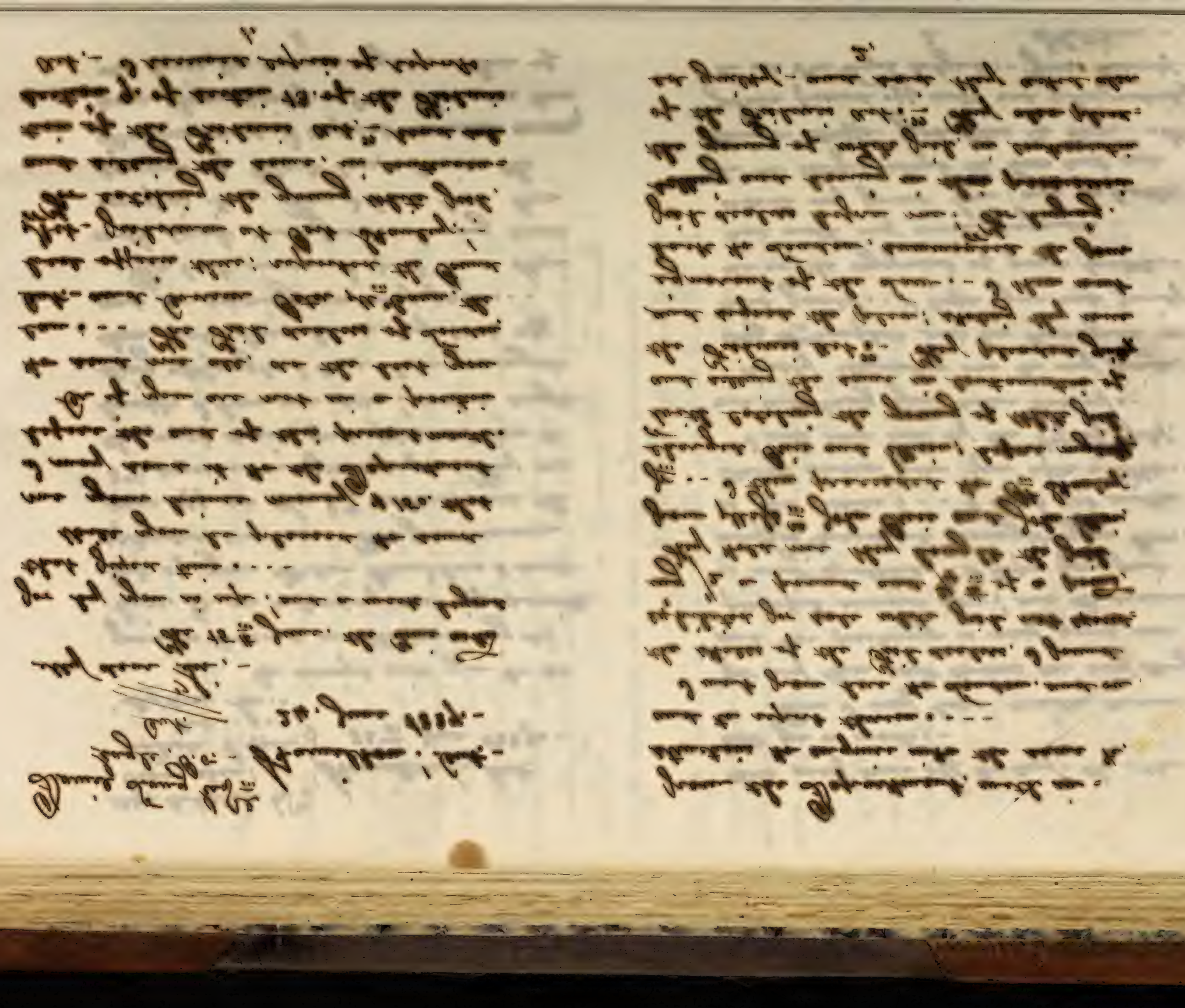
The 15th June, the Time with for by you is up! and a week beyond that fixed time...

Will you be pleased to send me your bill money $150. that I may send it to the Department before the end of this present month.

Or if you are not in a position to send me all, do the best you can... The Fish dealers of London, Ont. and Thomas Otter Esq. have the best opinion there; reputed the best Net-fisherman at Port Stanley!

For catching the young white fish, and selling the same, in contravention of the Fisheries Act, have sub section 9. of section 13. of the Fisheries Act, - I received express of reports from the Department, with instructions to inquire into the same &c. and to report thereon. ...

I went down here to London, and on the streets of the Fish dealers, I found exhibited for sale white fish not exceeding ½ lb - found out 2/3rds of a pound. They told me they bought the fish from Fishermen John Klein and John Klein, &c... I then proceeded to Port Stanley, charged Klein and Klein; before myself, with catching the young of white fish and selling the same in contravention of the Fisheries Act. They pleaded guilty and signed the plea; stating they were ignorant of the Law... I then went back to London, summoned the fish dealers before me! for buying, selling and having in their possession the young of white fish, in contravention of the Fisheries Act. They also pleaded guilty, - one said they acted also



through ignorance of the Law...

A fine of $20, and was imposed on Mr. Chin and Wong: or 20 days in Jail at St. Thomas: without costs!

I recommended that the fine be remitted the remain in abeyance as a guarantee for future good behaviour.

I also fined the four Chinese Hell dealers $20, and, or 20 days in London Jail, without costs. and I recommended that the fine be remitted the remain in abeyance as a guarantee for future good behaviour! - Now let me see you my friend! The Colonial Department approved of my proceedings. -

You know just as well as I do that the sum of small white girl, should not be sought, should then also let them have one for another year. -

Of course you know, just the same as I do. That we have a sum of small white girl every year, when thousands

are sought. but none blacked skin!.

You may see Patterson some time and tell them same as with him. - and please assure him also respecting the protection of young white girl. -

I hope you have been doing with the season, and that you are in the approval of your health, enjoying the Long and your family. - Kindly remember me to my old friend Dr. Martin!. - I wish you all well!!! -

My right Knee and thigh are badly injured by a fall last Thursday on the Sea! is improving! - I am reduced from the effects of it about 16 pounds. - -

My family are all well. - I am glad to see the same Jubilee, has passed off well! all over the world! from Queen down!!! I have been with a thousand friends of England! Among the 1st and 4th of the 4th and our Gracious Queen, and I completed my 76th year, of my pilgrimage. Glory Holy, Name be praised! of Jehovah. Kindly give all Mine, and friends, I am, Yours, &c.

Hamilton! Ont. —
24. June 1887. ---

My dear Bolton! —

Having made application on the 24th May last, in your behalf and Robert John Allen, with regard to your Lower Fishing grounds at the Two and Three Mile Ponds Lake Ontario, as per copy herewith, the following answer has been received by me!

Sir, Copy! Ottawa, 13. June 1887.

Having reference to the recommendation contained in your letter of 24th ultimo, with regard to Robert Allen and John Bolton's fishery licences, I beg to state, while the Department will consent to reduce the years license fee to $15. — Last years license $15. each, must be paid in full before they are allowed to fish.

I am Sir! —

J. W. Kerr Esq. Hamilton, Ont. Your grounds accordingly. } Your Obedient Servant, John Wiker. — Fishery Overseer.

Copy! — Hamilton, Ont.
24. May 1887.

Sir, —

I may report to you, that last year at Niagara Seine Hauling grounds, at the Two and Three mile ponds Lake Ontario, was very slim indeed, and seine fishing had to be abandoned after a few hauls as unprofitable! and as the licences herewith have remained in my possession ever since as you may perceive unpaid. — I beg now to report, and recommend that you will be pleased to enter the year 1887 on the two licences for year 1886, enclosed herewith and be pleased to allow $15. — as sufficient for the two years 1886 and 1887. viz.

1. Robert John Allen, Niagara! For years 1886 and 1887! amount altogether! — $15.00.
2. John Bolton Niagara for years 1886 and 1887. amount altogether! — $15.00.

I recommend the same for your consideration.

God save the Queen! — K.

The Deputy Minister Department of Fisheries Ottawa! Ont. } I have the honor to be, Your Obedient Servant, John Wiker J.O.

Hamilton, Ont.
24. June 1887. --

My dear Sir: -

Having made application on the 24th ult. in your behalf and Robert McAllen, with respect to your claim for homestead at the time and the under the Dominion, as you very kindly advised me; Yours: Ottawa, 15. June 1887.

Having reference to the recommendation contained in your letter of 24th ultimo, with respect to Robert Allen and John Gibbons pending issues; I beg to state, while the Department will consent to reduce the years issues to $45.- that years issues $112.- must be paid in full before they are allowed to grant.

I am Sir: -

J. M. Aldo Smith, Esq. Commissioner Homestead
Hamilton, Ont.
Dominion Lands
Winnipeg Manitoba

Copy. - Hamilton, Ont.
24. May 1887.

Sir: -

I may report to you that last year at Regina, this Homing season, at the time the mile posts were taken, we very also under our claim failing for to be absent after a year took as superfluous! our at Prince Lennox Homestead for remained in my possession since, as you may remember on point. - I beg now to report our remainder that you will be pleased to write the year 1887 on the two years by year 1886, making Homestead, as pleased to allow $112.- as supplied for the two years 1886 and 1887, viz. Robert John Allen, Regina: The years 1886 and 1887: amount allowable - $45.00.

2. John Allen, Regina for years 1886 and 1887. amount allowable - $45.00.

Amount the same by year consistent

Yours very truly: - H.

M. Aldo Smith, Esq. Commissioner Dominion Lands, Winnipeg Manitoba.

Allen: Ont. 2. Gibbons Sir.

Hamilton! Ont.—
24. June 1867.—

My dear Peter!

I am in receipt of a letter from Lizzie and Kate, Hamilton, Town of Lincoln, informing me that you have taken to yourself a wife. Your little girl, a sweet and a pretty of girl.... I wish you the

You may on receipt date on disposal of the girl as the girl I presume are possible... If stranger you may be able to keep them till I write next you at home by the first train you can at Montreal.

And don't fail to come down; as you and I can by the same arrangements... Have your witnesses ready at some convenient place, so that we may at once go to business.—

I am sure I am sorry you

that I just prevent to find you at your post, making such a valuable and complete bargain....

I was always under the impression that by moving round on the South side of Long Point, toward the Light House, you would, and I am delighted to hear you have done so. I will bring all the necessary papers blanks required... The Island will be also here by Monday.—

Mr James Dunn, and Aaron Riley—can be tried for selling without a license, or they can be tried for selling within the Limits of the Long Point Company.—

Hold on to the Court the Metis girl Vs. if she will suit my service.—

I congratulate you Peter.—

Peter Pain Esq. } Jesse Lindsay.—
Riley Aaron } John Wilson
Mr Williams } Riley Aaron
Ont. } 2.

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Hamilton, Ont. —

Sir. — 28. June 1887. — —

I received on last Friday, 24th June, instant, a letter from Tisdale and Robb, Barristers — of Simcoe; for Conrad Peter Price, — complaining of James Duncan and Albert Bailey — of Charlotteville; "For fishing in Lake Erie, off Long point, 500 yards of sturgeon gill net, having no licence to do so, in contravention of the Fisheries Act." —

Copy of Messrs Tisdale and Robb's letter herewith. —

On receipt of this letter, I arranged to meet Peter Price, at Simcoe, on 27th instant, as early as I could get there. — I went to Simcoe, met Conrad Price, of Long point, fisheries — Lake Erie: township of Walsingham, on yesterday. — And here follows: statement made by him to me! — — thus: —

In the first place, Peter handed me your telegraph, of 25th instant and requested me to report to you the particulars in this case of James L. Duncan! —

Peter Price: states, — "That on saturday the 18th instant, having received information, that James L. Duncan, of Forestville, Township of Charlotteville, was fishing sturgeon gill nets in Lake Erie, off Long point, without a licence, he proceeded there on saturday afternoon, and found such was the case: — James Casterhouse, was with him, the Sturgeon gill net was then set in the Lake, where they remained over saturday night, sunday, and sunday night, until early on Monday morning; after sunrise: when he and Casterhouse

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

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Hamilton Sept. —

Sir. — 28. June 1887. —

I received on last Friday, 24th June instant, a letter from Charles and Wm. Bennetts of Simcoe; in answer to Mr. complaining of James Brown and Albert Bailey of Waterdown!

For fishing in Lake Mr. off along point, 300 yards of a trapper gill net, having no leave to do so in contravention of the Fishery Act?? —

Copy of letter Charles and Wm. Bennetts herewith.

On receipt of this letter, I arranged to meet Peter Mr. at Simcoe, on 27th instant as early as I could get there. I went to Simcoe, met Brown Mr. of along point fishing - asked him: how did it happen, or yesterday. - Our two fishermen attended made by him to me. - Thus: -

In the first place, Peter handed me your copy of 27th instant and requested me to report to you the particulars in this case of James of Simcoe! —

Peter Mr.: states, that on Saturday the 18th instant being received information, that James of Simcoe of Waterdown, Bailey of Waterdown, was fishing trapper gill net in Lake Mr. off along point without a license, he proceeded there on Saturday afternoon, and found said was the case: — James Waterdown was with him, the trapper gill net was then set in the lake, when they removed was Saturday night, said he allowed was Sunday morning; when he went Waterdown

Yours Respectfully Minister,

Superintendent of Fisheries.

Ottawa. Sept.

went out on the Lake in a Boat, seized the gill nets, fished them up; and found caught therein (26.) twenty six sturgeon; which he sold for $6.50 ... "I told Peter Price, to retain the Money, - the Boat, and gill nets carefully subject to your order; fishing during Sabbath "close season", changing the state of affairs - making it necessary that you should know all about it" - - -

Peter Price, handed me your licence, issued by you to James L. Duncan, and paid for on 2nd of April last; but which he states, he did not receive for delivery, from the Department until the 28th of June instant, three days after he had made the seizure ... That the place not covered by the Long point, Company's Lease: is already covered by licences issued by you to Wm Brooks, for this current year .... By reference to the licence issued by you to James L. Duncan I beg to inform you that Long point is not situated within the township of Walsingham. There is no dividing line on Long point. It is all within the township of Walsingham. -

Peter Price, states: that he has no vacant fishery for James L. Duncan, to fish his sturgeon net on. - "And without any cause of complaint Peter Price recommends Wm Brooks to be licensed for the fishery this year: that James Duncan, fished on last year, and paid for. I am getting from the licence that you issued last year to Duncan, through Chas D. Kerr, who countersigned and delivered to him the licence" -) The licence herewith is sent back to you by me for correction

went out in the state in a boat, desire the pilot, putting them up; our pinnace brought them (28.) twenty six passengers; which he was for 4 l. 10 s. -- I told Peter Dias, he taken the money - the boat, and pilot not employed subject to your order; putting among that with these reasons: changing the state of of pain - nothing is necessary that you should know all about it? - - -

Peter Dias, handed me your license, received by you to James de Simon, our point for an 1/2 of April last: but which is stated, he did not receive for delivery. Now the Department with the 28 1/2 of June instant, three days after he had made the enquiry - - - That he plea not our event by the along point, comparing alone: is already answer by licence given by you to the already for this current year - - - By reference to licence received by you to James de Simon, by to inform you that along point is not situated within the township of [illegible] There is no shipping lies on along point. also all within the township of [illegible] -

Peter Dias, states: that he has no account given by James de Simon: to pick his statement not so. - That without any cause of complaint Peter Dias - recommended the charge to be licensed for the picking this year: that James Simon, picked on last year, our point for. I am putting from the licence that you issued last year to Simon. though, Simon & Company - who continued and delivered to his the licence?) The licence therewith is sent back to you by me for correction

as the license covers about 3 miles of Lake Erie, held by the Long point Company under their Lease from the Department. ---

Peter Price stated to me, that he seized Duncan's Boat, on the 18th June instant, put the Broad Arrow mark on it; gave it back to Albert Ruley, who fishes with Duncan, for to take him home, from Long point, to the steam boat in Charlottville, on Monday the 20th June inst. after the seizure was made.

The foregoing are the facts, in regard to Peter Price, in this Duncan case, as communicated to me by him! - "Sunday fishing has been permitted by Commor Peter Price, in Lake Erie, within the Leased limits granted by the Department, to the Long point Company." - and is now complained of by James L. Duncan. -

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Having so far got rid of Commor Peter Price, James L. Duncan he accused, having heard from Peter Price, that I was to be in Simcoe on yesterday about his case! came to the Norfolk House, and enquired for me. --

The following statement I took down from him, he has written to you regarding the matter. -

James L. Duncan, the Defendant in this case states he lives near Farrestville, township of Charlottville, fished on the same ground in Lake Erie last year, paid £6,- to D. Sharp, fishery Commor. for licence, the countersigned, and and delivered it to him; that his nets and fish, were seized on this year by Peter Price; last year's licence, is similar to the licence issued he has heard for this year, by the fishery-

on the house across about 3 miles of that river; then by the along point bearing water then along from the Department. - -

Otto Dias. stated to me, that he assigned Simeon Boat on the 18th June instant, but the Owner never made an it; gave it back to Little Dailey, who gave it unto Simeon, for to take him home, from along point to the above bay in Chesapeake, on Wednesday the 20th June instant after the assignment was made. -

The foregoing on the part, in regard to Otto Dias, in this Simeon case, as communicated to me by him: - Thursday Nothing has been permitted by Simeon Otto Dias, in data this; within the above limits - granted by the Department to the along point bearing. - but is now complained of by James Simeon. -

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Morning on for get rid of Simeon Otto Dias James Simeon, the assured, having heard from Otto Dias, that I was to be in Chesapeake on Friday about his case I came to the Department here, and enquired for me. - -

The following statement I that now from him; to be written to you regarding the matter. -

James Simeon, the Deponent in this case states he lives near Chesapeake, formerly of Chesapeake, Virginia on the same plantation in data this, last year, paid 4/- to Mr. Dailey, Virginia Owner for him, who subsequently sold and delivered it to him; that his wife and girl were assigned on this year by Otto Dias; last year he was, is similar to the business is same to be found for this year, by the Virginia

department. --

Of course, you are aware of the facts, that James L. Duncan, applied direct to you for his license, a renewal for this year; this he states he had to do, from the fact, that he could not get it the Amherst Price, nor Sharp to apply for him. - Duncan; states - Peter Price - was aware that you had issued his license for him, for this current year, when he made the seizure; for Assessor - Sharp - had told Peter Price so. --

The gill nets seized, were fished in the same place, during the week, they were seized, over-hauled every day, and sturgeon taken out of them: and on saturday the 18th. June, instant, he fished therefrom, eight sturgeon. --

Sturgeon are selling at present, at 8/ per pound!. - James L. Duncan, states; That 1. J. W. Preston 2. Stephen Price, - 3. Jas: Caubell, 4. Walter Price, - 5. George Cornell, - 6. Wm. Price, - 7. Richard Johnson, - 8. Samuel Johnson, - 9. Wm. Finch, - 10 - and Thomas Cuterbower, all fish there; and their sturgeon gill nets were set, and fishing in Lake Erie: Between 6. o'clock, p. m, on saturday evening the 18th. day of June, instant, and 6. o'clock, a. m, - on the following monday morning, the 20th. June instant, in contravention of the Fishing Act! -- Also Peter Price, and Thomas Cuterbower, seized his gill nets and fish and boat. --

Duncan, while admitting that he was wrong in fishing during Sabbath "close season" - states many an where name I have herein given you; fished between 6. o'clock, p. m, on saturday night, and 6. o'clock, a. m, on the following

department. —

If answer, you are aware of the fact, that James de Chaumey applied direct to you for the house & tenement for the year; this he admits he has to do, from the fact that he cancel out yet with the Barrons Doc, was likely to apply for him. — Chaumey: admits — Peter Doc. — was aware that you had refused his license for him, for this tenement year, when he made the enquiry: for Barrons — Henry — that then Peter Doc &c. —

The pig-sties belonged, were fixed in the same place, during the month, they were changed, were taken away day, and returned the 18th June, without it being there thereon, night thereon. —

Thereon was nothing at present, at 3/ per pound: — James de Chaumey states: that 1. 3/ W. Brown 2. Hughes Doc. 3. Jno: Sculler 4. William Doc. 5. George Bennett 6. W.m Doc. 7. Richard Johnson — 8. Samuel Johnson — 9. W.m Doc. — 10 — are those tenants, who had them; and that thereon pig-sties were not were fixed in such Doc: Between 1. & 9. inclusive, — are returned missing the 18th day of June, without, and 1. & 10. — are the fixed missing the 24th June without, in contravention of the Clause 8th. — When Peter Doc. and those tenants, changed to pig-sties and had not had. —

Chaumey, which admitting that he was aware of fixing missing additional sties? — stated they were not when, were 1 & 2 the first pigs fixed between 1. & 9. inclusive, — are returned missing

Monday morning; and caught sturgeon:- In the waters of Lake Erie: fishing on Long point:- in contravention of the Fisheries Act.---

Had it not been that James L. Duncan, had broken the sabbath - "Close season" - Peter, Peter Rice took no notice of this breach of the law; I would have advised Peter, on his handing to me your licence for Duncan - for perusal; to give him the licence as you had ordered, and restore the Boat, the nets, and $6.50, the price of sturgeon sold:. But the sabbath (close season,) being broken; debarred me at once from doing so: without your consent.-

I submit the foregoing for your information, withholding nothing from you that has been communicated to me. When ordered by you, I shall be prepared to carry out your orders in the premises.---Long point sturgeon fishermen should be punished for breaking the fishery laws: let him, or me, pay it.-

Wm. Snooks, has not fished this year, on the station in Lake Erie, at the back and he did not fish there last year. Duncan fished there last year:.--

With due respect.--

I have the Honor to be,
Sir.—
Your Obedient Servant.-
John Wilson,
Fishery Overseer.

[illegible] meaning, our only [illegible] &c.
the matter of [illegible] &c: [illegible] &c [illegible]:
in [illegible] of the [illegible] &c.—

Have it not been that [illegible] of Salmon, that
[illegible] the [illegible]. Then [illegible] &c. [illegible]
that in notice of this [illegible] of the [illegible]:
would have [illegible] &c. in his [illegible] &c
me your [illegible] [illegible] — for [illegible]: &c
you [illegible] the [illegible] &c you [illegible] [illegible],
to have the [illegible] &c. the [illegible], [illegible] &c
[illegible] of [illegible] &c &c. But the [illegible]
(then [illegible]) [illegible] [illegible]: [illegible] me &c
[illegible] you [illegible] &c: [illegible] [illegible].—

I submit the [illegible] for your [illegible],
[illegible] [illegible] you [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] to me. — [illegible] [illegible] &c
I [illegible] &c [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
in the [illegible]. — [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]: [illegible] &c [illegible] [illegible]
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Copy.—

John W. Kerr Esqr. Simcoe: Ont. 25th June 1867.

Hamilton! — Dear Sir! Mr. Peter Price, has called upon us and requested us to write to you and inform you that he has seized 400. or 500. yards of Sturgeon gill nets and a Boat with a quantity of fish in it, on the south side of Long point, between the Light House and breakwater. James Duncan, and Albert Bailey were using the net at the time. — Mr. Price wishes to be advised by you what to do: Whether he should lay an information before a Magistrate, or if you would come up and hear the charge against the parties and dispose of the matter. —

Should you prefer to send the case for adjudication to a local Magistrate would you state what in your opinion would be the proper penalty to impose if the parties are found guilty. — Mr. Price's Post Office is St. Williams but if you write us we will communicate with him. — James Duncan, is an Indian.

Yours truly.—

Fiedula & Robb.—

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Copy.-

York St. Hon. Sir Johnson. Sat. 23rd June 1837.

Honoured.- Dear Sir! My Son Thos. is called upon on our behalf to write to you and inform you that he has charged 400. or 500 yards of timber gide rails and a boat built & quantity of pail in it, on the south side of long point between the lots 11 three and fourteen. James Johnson and Robert Bailey were seeing the rail at the time.- My Son wishes to be acquainted by you what to do: whether to abscond by an information before a magistrate, or if you should come up and see the charge against the parties and defence of the matter.- Should you prefer to have the case for adjudication to a local magistrate would you state what in your opinion would be the penalty, & would be subject if the parties are found guilty.- My Son has offered to lay Mr Johnson but if you write to me will be sufficient with him.- James Johnson is an old appeaser.

Yours truly.-

Michael F. Hall.-

Quittung für Lieferung
Lieferung für 1887.

Wilhelm Scott und Sig.
Eichenwald,
Reidgerwerk
Rudolf. Q.
Quittung
Wiedbach am
29. Juni 1887.

Quittung für Lieferung
Lieferung für 1887.

Herr Salzberg Vorsitzt.
Eichenwald
Stone Point.
Wolfsberg.
Wiedbach am
29. Juni 1887.

Quittung für Lieferung
Lieferung für 1887.

Herr Sebastian Scott
Eichenwald
Reidgerwerk
Rudolf. Q

Hunter fishing
licence for 1889.

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William Scott son of
Thomas, of
Dingwall
Butcher. G.O.
Cert.

Allowed on
29. June 1889.

Alex Robertson Burgh
Thomas
Alex Cant.
Blacksmith
Cert.

Allowed on
29. June 1889.

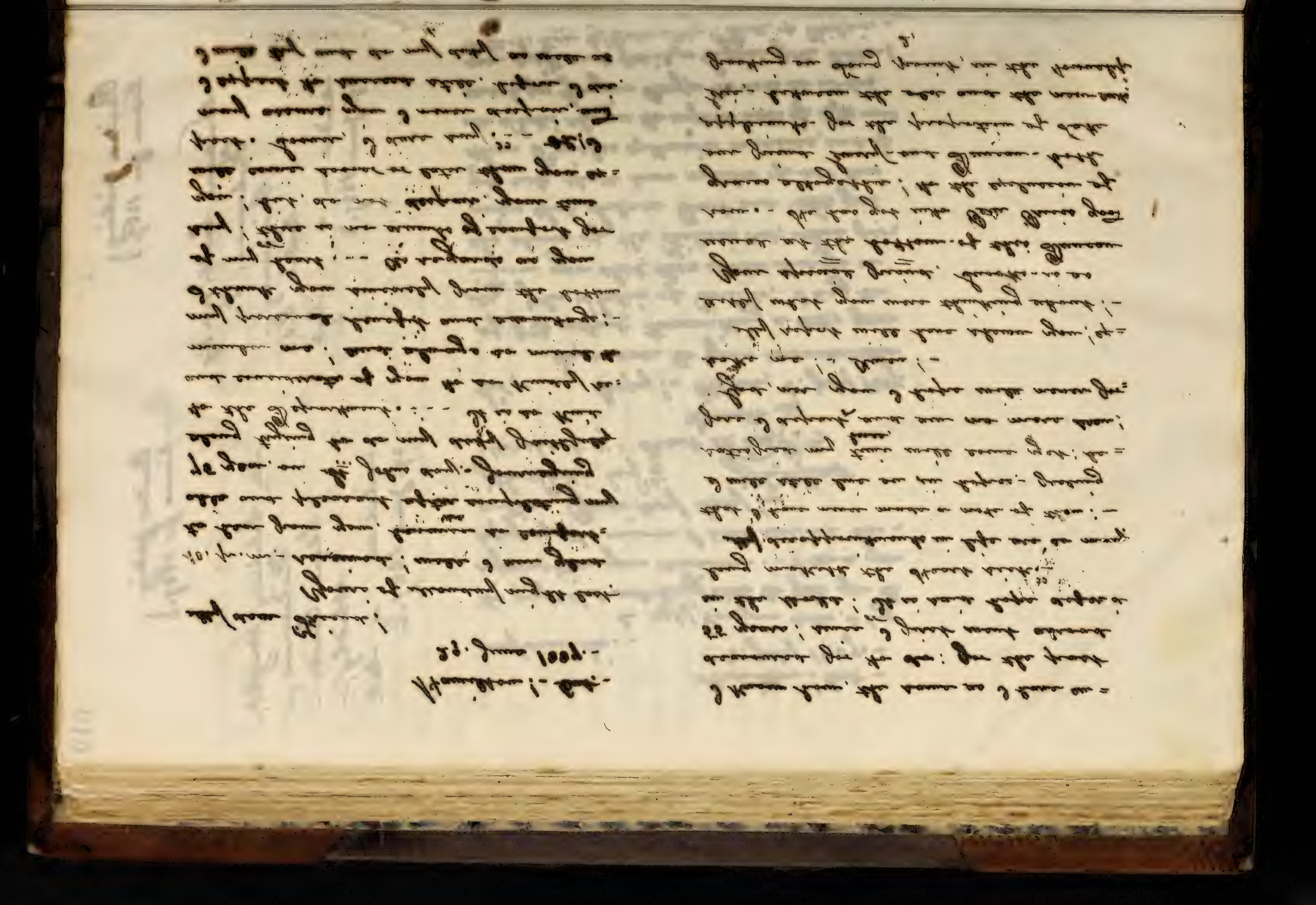
Hamilton! - Ont. -
29. June 1867. -

My dear Friend!

Yours of Monday night last 10. p.m. - received! make I am glad to hear from you, because so comfortable and pleasant after completing my 75 year, on St. John day. - Journeying along trying to do my duty faithfully to the Department. - It is so kind and considerate of you to so kindly remember me! and always so much to my personal benefit and advantage: - I thank you sincerely from the bottom of my heart. - As regards as you say! there is no crumb of comfort for you! but, do not despair, your time will come sooner or later than you expect. Sooner, I dare say?? - Oh! I may assure you I never despair, and I expect to succeed still, before I die. I will try and do my duty as well as I know how, the same as I have endeavoured for to do: for the past 55 years! since I first went abroad in the World! It is said hope deferred long maketh the Heart sick! -

My disappointments in life are so many, that I have never made a note of them: - I will still live on in hopes - feeling satisfied my time will come yet: before I depart hence, and am no more seen! God, nor you I hope will never forsake me! - Amen! -

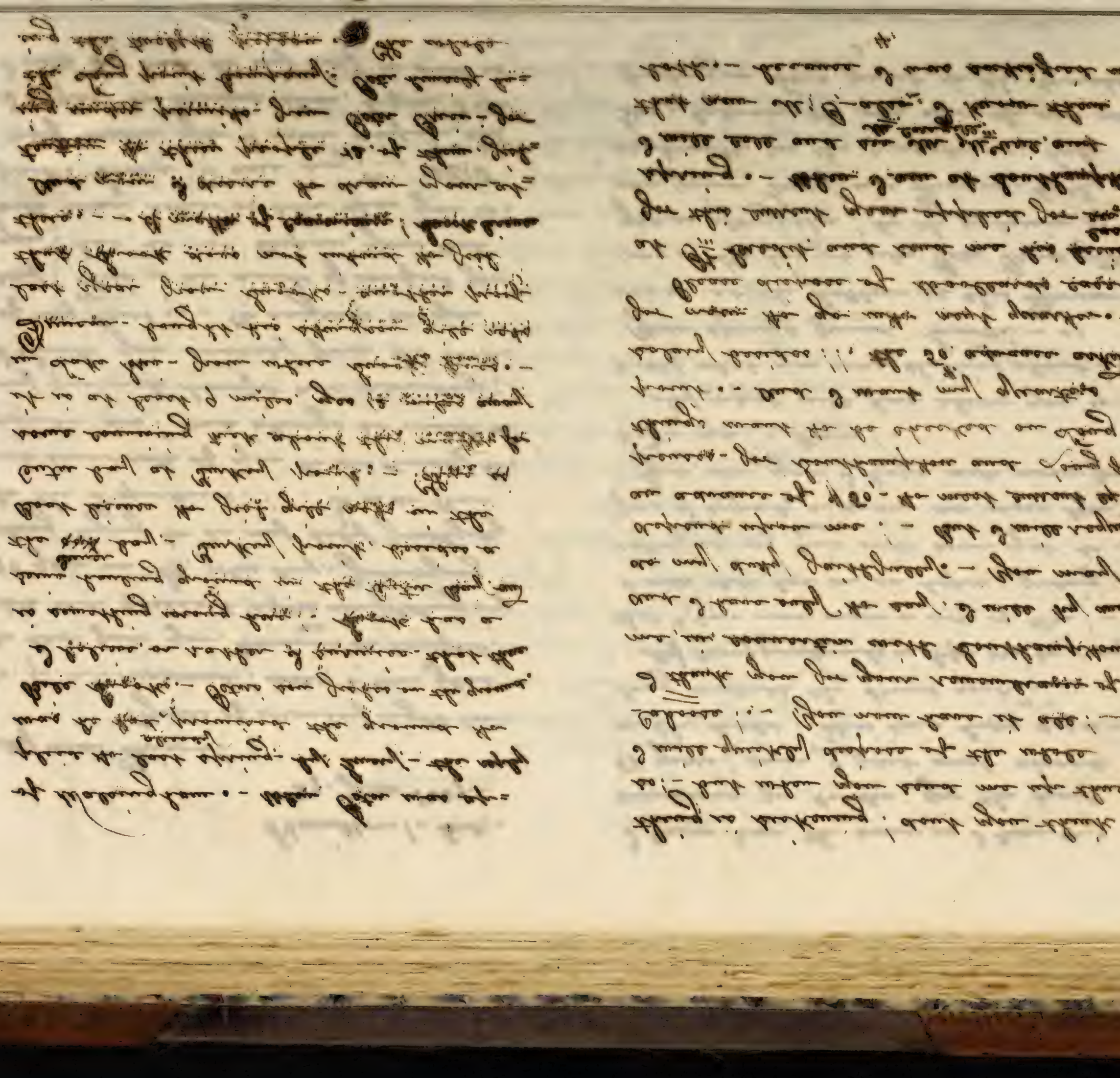
My report will have shewn you! exactly what you were thinking about! - Your special friend, Scooks - is as secure at the bottom of this Duncan row. - He has got into Peter Prices good graces altogether! to the exclusion of our friend Lucy - and Duncan - both applicants - for the proportion of Lake Erie, - between the old and the new-comers fronting on Long point, in the township



of Walsingham. – When Peter was applied to last spring by Emery – the reply was he had already promised the ground to Bill Brooks. – Peter's son jigged on the ground. I believe, or rather I surmise that there is something wrong here. – Brooks has a seine hauling ground in the Outer Bay and the Inner bay – Turkey point, besides a Boat licence to jig gill nets in the Outer bay at Turkey point. – There is some conniving nick about the matter for it is at least 9 miles, yes 12 miles away in Lake Erie – from where Brooks lives. – Dewegan bought his sturgeon gill nets last year from Brooks – another proof that Brooks does not intend to jig there, – – It matter of convenience! Brooks licence

And now I desire to draw your attention to these people 12 of them, jigging under permits – from Peter Price – for the Long point company: Peter himself being the twelfth person. The whole thing is sickening! dont you think so! – but when you send me up there I will quickly dispose of the whole Caboose! – You now have it all! – I thank you for your remembrance of me, in connection with Southampton. And I have only to say, I will try and do my duty faithfully. – You may depend upon me! – But I will require an advance of $50 – to meet current expenses – for Southampton and Long pt things want to be checked on Long point. – And I want my quarters salary besides!!, the 50$ advance asked for now to go into next quarter. –

Please dispose of Woollards case at Pt Credit and send me his license for this current year applied for last spring. – When I am at Southampton I will call and see Mr Mitchell, and that new M; C, – Mr Cornell also, I know them both, – because I was satisfied in



my mind that you were so busy, during the latter part of the Session, I just gave up writing for the time being;- Knowing a good time was coming! - I send you an old Newspaper, nearly 48 years old, sent out from Shillingar, by a friend many years ago! an article in this old paper to which I refer you will tell you who I was 48 years ago. -

Even the remembrance of these long years - have its bright side up, and is pleasant sometimes to think over. -

Please send the old paper back to me; when you read the article. Polly Kice is still improving, and I am thankful to God; while punishing me for some wrong I committed; spared my life and my thigh from being broken! with my warm regards as usual! Yours Respectfully! -

S. O. Barnett Esq. M.P.P. John W. Kice P.O.

H. of Ottawa! - 5.

P.S.

I dont think Sharp is mixed up with Price and Duncan! - It is simply Peter Price and Snooks, - I asked Peter, if he had delivered to Snook, his license from the Department for the current year! his reply was he had left it for him with the Light Keeper, at the Cut: it will be necessary for me to go to Long Pt first, and dispose of the cases there before I go up to Southampton. - 2 days will be sufficient. -

I will be glad when you can give Sharp 50. an additiee to his salary. -- He gets sulky, because he has never been trained to anything! except Conservativeism! -

Just about all! he is always sound on that! -

Yours Respectfully.

John W. Kice P.O.

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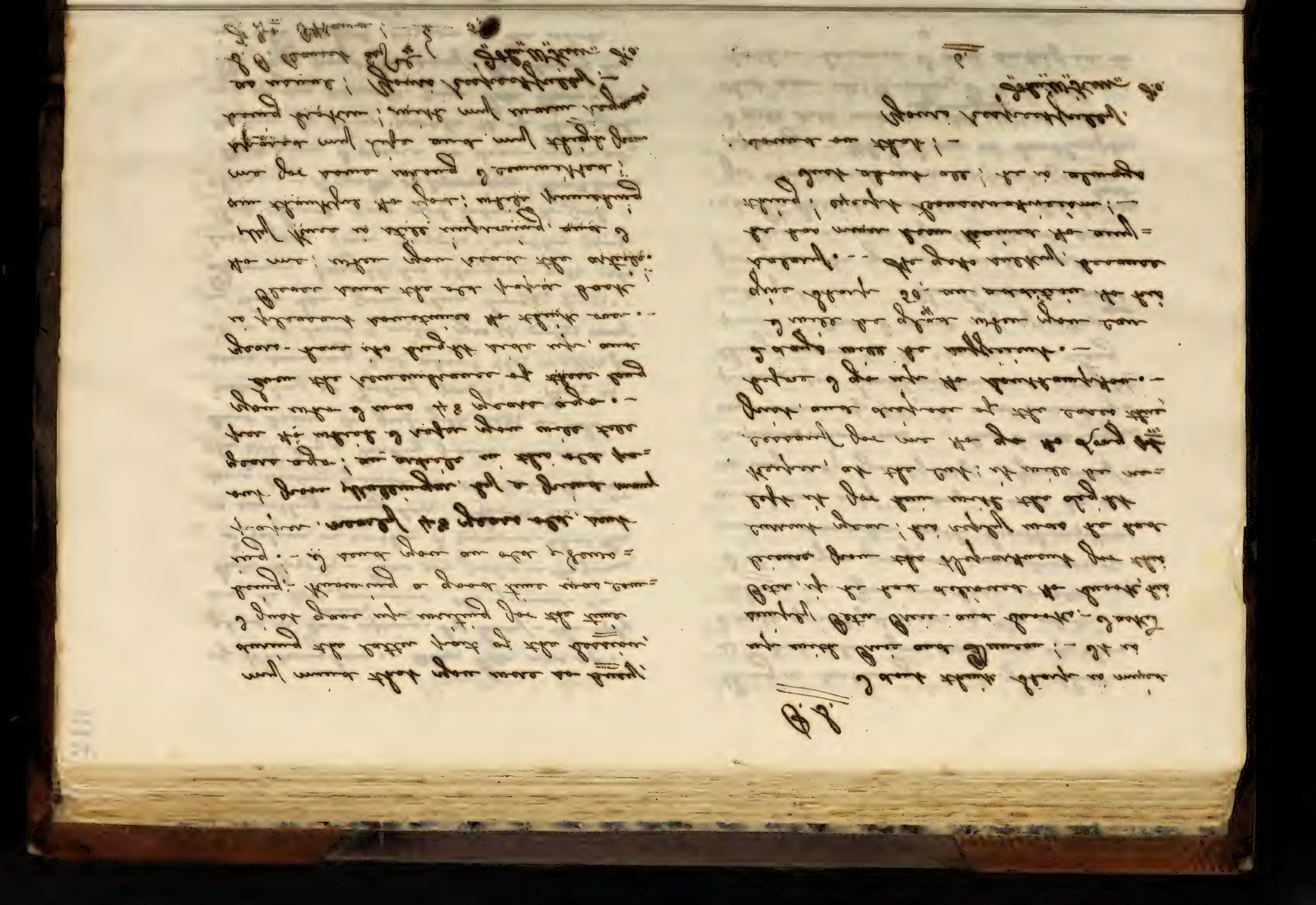

Memorandum!

For S. P. Bauset Esqre
Fisheries Department -
Ottawa! -

I heard some time ago, that there was so much spoiled fish - in McKay and Jim Clarke - Freezer, at Wiarton, in May last they did not know how to get rid of them; and that their sales of Frozen fish this year; turned out a complete loss - in almost every case. These people must be still fishing pound nets - in Georgian Bay, - and Lake Huron! - if you say so, I might run across from Southampton to Wiarton and when I am up there see how the land lies and report to you! - Fishing on B: beach is a little better this season than it was last season! -

Duncan told me Sharp never

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asked him for returns of fish caught by him during the last season in Lake Erie at the cut. - I made out D; Sharp's returns for him - for 1886 - but nothing was returned for Duncan. -

I asked Duncan on Monday last to let me know the number of Sturgeon he caught during last season, when he got home; I received a Post Card, from him last night - He caught 386 Sturgeon, and sold them for $411.00 f. -

In passing over the Grand River Railway Bridge at Caledonia, on Monday last, I observed that a small Saw Mill there sawing at the time was allowing the saw dust to enter the waters of said River, and float away down stream. - You might write Overseer, Machen, - of Dunnville, and say something to make him attend to it. - Yours respectfully, -

Hamilton, Ont. John W. Kerr. - F.O.

30. June 1887.

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Memorandum!

For J. O. Bennet Esq.
Fisheries Department –
Ottawa! –

I thought some time ago, that this was a most popular fish – in demand; and fine health. Stranger, at Wiarton, in allowing last July did not throw too to get rid of them; since that time, dealers of Chicago, paid this year; tested out, complete loss – in almost every case. These people must be able finding fish – in Georgian Bay – must decide Ottawa: If you can do, I may let him receive from Southampton to Wiarton I am up there this time the last his out report to you! – Finding a Herald is a little better this season than it was last season! –

Summer hole me Sharp never

rather low for fishing of fish caught by him during the last season in dealers at the out. – I wrote out Mr: Sharp returns for June – for 1886 – but nothing was returned for Summer. –

I notice Summer in allowing last to let me know the number of Sturgeon he caught during last season, when he got home. I received a letter from him last night – he caught 386 Sturgeon, over and take them for $4.00 p. –

In passing over the Great River this week Sharp at Saturday; I observed that a small dam while the running at the time was allowing the saw dust to enter the waters of Saint Lawrence – for night with Summer, Harris – of Summer, and any something to make him attend to it. – Yours respectfully –

Hamilton, Ont. Chas. Hunter &c.

30. June 1887.

Hamilton, Ont.

30th June 1887.

Sir,

I have the honor to send you Bank draft No: 173 for the sum of Fifteen dollars.

Will you be pleased to apply this amount as follows; as fishing license during this current year.

1. John W. Ramey, Ridgeway. "On account of a Pound Net license in Lake Erie, at Moulton Bay." Amount now sent is, $10.00

2. William Ho d, Winona. "For a Boat license to fish gill nets in Lake Ontario, already received and delivered." $5.00

Total $15.00

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
John Wker,
Fishery Overseer,

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.,
14. July 1887.

Dear Sir,

I received your letter of 30th June, with the Bank draft, for the amount, on account of fishing licenses, and have delivered the licenses to the parties, and sent them the Bills. On my return home I will send you the Bill of Humphrey. — On my return my Name appears on one gon nets. Lay and Night in getting the Bills I am with great respect

Your Obedient Servant,
J. W. Ramey

P.S. I hope these gentlemen will get their licenses and Bonds, all in good health.

Yours fishing is growing

Hamilton, Ont.

30th June 1884.

Sir,

I have the honor to send you herewith

No: 179. for the sum of Fifteen dollars.

While you be pleased to supply the amount as follows; as fishing licence during the current year.

1. John W. Kennedy. Fishermen. The amount of a licence for fishing in waters in, or adjacent to Canada." Amount now sent is, $10.00

2. Wilkinson Brothers, Hamilton. "For a licence to cause to be put nets in waters contiguous to Canada, not delivered." $5.00

Total $15.00

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Patrick Hanna

Chief Supply Minister

Department of Fisheries

Ottawa, Ont.

John William Kerr –
Hamilton
1st of April, 30th June 7

			in Miles,	
1887.-				
April.	2. Off to Jarvis, thence to Simcoe, for to see Col: Tisdale, on fishing business in Lake Erie. – –	1.	H.T.B. Ry.- 94. Jar.	4. 60.
"	7. At Brantford, Port Credit, the Reids, and back home again. – – –	1.	Ry. H.T. 74. B.-	3. 15.
"	8. Alle over B. bay, brought Boat down to Andrew Gages. –	1.	34 Team,	3. 00.
"	9. Thos: Kerr, and E.J. Kerr, on B. bay, by my directions, they set 600 yards of Pike gill nets.–	1.	H.T.B. 26. Boat	1. 50.
"	15. Off to Port Dover, Hartford, thence to Jarvis and back home to Hamilton! –	1.	Ry. Team, 103. H.T.B.	7. 20.
"	18. Off to London, thence to Rothwell, examined the dam and fishway at Rochester on River Thames. –	1.	H.T.B. 130. Ry. &c.	9. 00.
"	19. From Rothwell to Louisville, back to Thamesville, &c. thence to Chatham. – –	1.	Ry. Team, 71. H.T.B.	6. 25.
"	20. At Chatham, thence down the River Thames to see Emerson, McGuan, then back to Chatham and Rothwell!	1.	H.T.B. 43. Ry.	5. 00.
"	21. From London, Rothwell, Springbank, Byron, Black Friars Bridge, home to Hamilton!	1.	132. Ry.	7. 10.
"	25. Off to London, thence to St. Marys, and Downey, inspecting Fishways and dams on River Thames, back to London! –	1.	132. Ry.	6. 10.
"	26. Off to Thorndale, and inspected J.M. Armands dam and fishway, back to London, and home to Hamilton. – – –	1.	100. Ry.	5. 85.
"	27. At the Heights, the Plains. B. Beach, and home by Hamilton! –	1.	26. H.T.B.	2. 50.
May. –	3. Met Mr Wm Parker, at Hamilton G.T. Ry. Station thence to Lake Ontario on B. beach, where he planted 2,000,000 – White fish fry taken by him from Sandwich Hatchery, where he is in charge.	1.	28. H.T.B.	2. 00.
"	5. On B. Heights making enquiries. –	1.	8. do.	1. 50.
"	9. At Brantford, found all regular, gill net fishing for trees ended until October. –	1.	H.T.B.- 40. Ry.	3. 00.
"	11. Off to Andrew Gages, thence home again	1.	10. H.T.B.	2. 25. –
"	12. Off to London and Port Stanley, back to London; off down the River Thames, examined Plows Mill dam and Fishway. –	1.	H.T.B 137. Ry.	7. 90.
	Carried forward. –	17.	1,194. Ms.	7,77 90.

[illegible]

[illegible] of [illegible]. [illegible] June

[illegible]							
[illegible]	2.	Gift to James Thomson for his services in painting business in Leith &c.	1.	Qu. Jan.	4.	6o.	
"	7.	Do to Do for work done at the Tron, and other work done on [illegible]	1.	Jul. 6th	3.	15.	
"	8.	Bill over £8 for bought Coal done to Duncan Sharpe	1.	3rd Jan.	3.	00.	
"	9.	Other: Item, over £3 for £8 for [illegible]	1.	26. Oct.	1.	70.	
"	15.	Gift to Geo. Proctor, Architect, Thomas to James over Coal work done to Hamilton	1.	105. Aug.	7.	20.	
"	18.	Gift to Gordon, Thomas to Bathgate, over and the clean over Pathway at Cambusnethan Cross Thomas	1.	150. Jul.	9.	00.	
"	19.	Item Bathgate to Gordon, Leith to Hamilton, 4. Thomas to Bathgate	1.	71. 3rd	6.	25.	
"	20.	Do Bathgate, Thomas over the Cross Thomas to see Gordon, at Cross, the Leith to Bathgate over Bathgate	1.	43. Jul.	5.	00.	
"	21.	Item Gordon, Bathgate, Hamilton Leith Higher Blackfriars Bridge, Thomas to Hamilton	1.	132. Jul.	7.	10.	
"	25.	Gift to Gordon, Thomas to St Leonard over Crown inspecting Pathway over Cross on Cross Thomas Leith to Gordon	1.	138. Jul.	6.	10.	
"	26.	Gift to Hamilton over inspector of Bridges over over Pathway Leith to Gordon over Thomas to Hamilton	1.	100. Jul.	5.	85.	
"	27.	Do to the Hospital the Thomas. St. Cowal over Thomas by Hamilton	1.	26. 3rd	2.	50.	
Item	3.	Allot. to Mr Porter at Hamilton of 3. Jul. Station Thomas to Leith Gordon on St. Cowal when to plaster 2,000,000 - Leith Jul. by Porter by his Own Hundred Pathway when he is in Thomas	1.	26. 3rd	2.	00.	
"	6.	to St. Hospital nothing requisite	1.	8. 00.	1.	50.	
"	9.	Do Brown found all regular gile not pathing or Thomas. Cowal until Leith	1.	43. Jul.	3.	00.	
"	11.	Gift to Duncan Hogan Thomas Thomas again	1.	10. 3rd	2.	25.	
"	12.	Gift to Gordon and Do at Pathway Leith to Gordon; gift over the Cross Thomas Thomas while over and Pathway	1.	137. Jul.	7.	00.	
		Received Payment -	17.	1,194. 11½	77.	00½	

John William Kerr. –
Hamilton,
1st April, 30, June 7

			in Miles.		
1887. May,					
"	13. From London to Ingersoll, and Beachville examined 2 dams, and Gishways, back to Ingersoll, and away home. - - -	17.	1,194 Miles,	77.	90. –
			H & C. –	1.	50.
		1.	98. Ry. –	3.	75.
"	17. Off Toronto, and the Humber and after seeing Rivers, and Creeks, back to Toronto, and Home. - -	1.	86. Ry.	5.	30.
			H & C. –		
"	20. Off to St Catharines and Niagara, to Queenston, 4 and 2 mile ponds, &c.	1.	70. Ry. –	5.	25.
			H & C. –		
"	21. Off Niagara, Queenston, the 2 and 4, and back to Niagara! and home,	1.	68. Ry.	5.	00.
"	25. Off B. beach, found all correct.	1.	24. H & C.	2.	50.
"	26. Off Ancaster, saw Paddy Stand!.	1.	36. H & C.	2.	50.
"	28. Off G. T. Ry. – station, to meet man from home; Wilmot, going to Welland canal, at Welland to distribute lobster Boat, by Dual	1.	8. H & C.	2.	00.
"	30. Off to Mr. Cridit, and Streetsville. - - -	1.	77. Ry & H.	5.	10.
"	31. Off to Niagara on duty – special! –	1.	50. do.	5.	25.
June,	1. Off Niagara, Mr. Dalhousie, and Hamilton	1.	80. do.	4.	50.
"	3. On B. beach, fisherman applied for licence,	1.	26. H & C.	2.	00.
"	6. On B. heights enjoining after illegal fishing.	1.	16. do.	2.	00.
"	9. Hamilton, London and Mr. Hunter! –	1.	128. Ry.	6.	60, see re.
"	10. London to Woodstock and Hamilton!	1.	80. do. & H.	7.	80½ post. –
"	13. Off B. beach, collected licence fees! - - -	1.	26. H & C.	2.	00.
"	14. Hamilton, Port Colborne – Port Dalhousie, and back to Mr. Colborne; see report. –	1.	110. Ry.	6.	95.
			H & C. –		
"	16. Mr. Colborne to Lake Banks, – and return, thence home to Hamilton! &c	1.	90. Ry.	4.	60.
"	20. Off to Grimsby! – Climber and return. –	1.	60. Ry. & H.	2.	80.
"	22. On B. beach, keeping close eye on fishing –	1.	24. H & C.	2.	00.
"	27. Off to Mr. Dunn, and home, and met Mr. Dunn and Jas. L. Dunn! – See report. –	1.	112 Ry.	5.	95.
			H & C. –		
"	29. On B. beach, keeping close watch on fishing. –	1.	24. H & C.	2.	00.
	Total. - - -	22.	2,453 Miles.	1.166.	25½.

John W. Kerr. –

Hamilton. –
Ont. –

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[illegible] 30. June

[illegible]

1837. [illegible]	18.	[illegible]	17.	14	22.	9d.
		[illegible]		1.	30.	
"	19.	[illegible]	1.	98	3.	7d.
		[illegible]				
"	20.	[illegible]	1.	86	5.	3d.
		[illegible]				
"	21.	[illegible]	1.	10	5.	3d.
		[illegible]				
"	22.	[illegible]	1.	68	6.	0d.
"	23.	[illegible]	1.	24	2.	5d.
"	24.	[illegible]	1.	36	2.	0d.
"	25.	[illegible]	1.	8	2.	0d.
"	26.	[illegible]	1.	77	5.	10d.
"	27.	[illegible]	1.	90	5.	6d.
"	28.	[illegible]	1.	62	4.	7d.
"	29.	[illegible]	1.	24	2.	0d.
"	30.	[illegible]	1.	26	2.	0d.
"	31.	[illegible]	1.	10	2.	0d.
"	32.	[illegible]	1.	86	5.	3d.
"	33.	[illegible]	1.	12	5.	9d.
"	34.	[illegible]	1.	24	2.	0d.
"	35.	[illegible]	1.	36	2.	0d.
"	36.	[illegible]	1.	24	2.	0d.
"	37.	[illegible]	1.	90	5.	6d.
"	38.	[illegible]	1.	60	2.	8d.
"	39.	[illegible]	1.	24	2.	0d.
		Total	38.	1473	146.	3d.

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John William Kerr,

Hamilton

1st of April, 30th of June 7

1847.		in pl. Miles.	
April	2. Off to Jarvis thence to Simcoe for to see Col: Tisdale on fishing business in Lake Erie!	H & B, Ry.	
"	7. At Brantford, Port Credit, Reids, and back home again.	1. 94. Jarvis 1. 74 Ry.	4. 60.
"	8. All over B. Bay - brought Boat down to Andrew Gages.	H & Ry.	3. 15.
"	9. Fred: Kerr and C. J. Kerr on Burlington Bay, by my directions, they seined 300 yards of Pike gill nets.	1. 34. Team, H & B.	3. 00.
"	15. Off to Port Dover, thence to Stanbroke, thence to Jarvis and back home to Hamilton.	1. 26. Boat, Ry. Jarvis, Team	1. 50.
"	18. Off to London thence to Bothwell examined the dam and fishway at Cashmere, on River Thames.	1. 103. H & B, H & B, Ry. Jarvis	7. 20.
"	19. From Bothwell to Louisville, back to Dunnerville &c. thence to Chatham	1. 130 - &c. Ry. Jarvis	9. 00.
"	20. Off to Chatham, thence down the River Thames, to see Curran, McQueen, then back to Chatham and Bothwell.	1. 71. H & B, H & B,	5. 25.
"	21. From London, Rothwell, Springbank, Arva - Stakefriars Bridge home to Hamilton.	1. 43. Ry.	5. 00.
"	25. Off to London, thence to St Marys and Dover, inspecting fishways and dams, on the River Thames, back to London	1. 102. Ry.	7. 10.
"	26. Off to Thorndale inspected fish, Ponds, dam, and fishway, back to London and home to Hamilton.	1. 133. Ry.	5. 10.
"	27. At the Heights, the Ponds; A. Reed, home by Hamilton.	1. 100. Ry.	5. 25.
May	3. Met the Hon. Chas. at Hamilton Station; thence to Lake Erie on the Beach; where he pointed 2000 yards of fish fry - taken by him from Lockport Hatching; where he is in charge.	1. 26. H & B.	2. 50.
"	4. On the Heights, making enquiries.	1. 28. H & B.	2. 00.
"	9. At Brantford, from Brighton, gill net fishing for bass - caught with bitten!!	1. &c. H & B.	1. 50.
"	11. Off to Andrew Gages home again!	1. 40. Ry.	3. 00.
"	12. Off to London and St. Marys, back to London; off down the River Thames, examined Dams still upon fishway.	1. 10. H & B. H & B. 1. 137. Ry.	2. 25. 7. 90.
	Carried forward	17. 1194. Miles.	£77. 90.

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Juni	2.	Gift vor Jonas Thomas vor Lumen				
		Jon vor Ein Tag: Gindenle vor Jirkinig				
		Bremsen in dieser Zeit				
	3.	Die Bauern Dort Gerard Hendrik, auf				
		Gerd Hans vor mich.				
"	8.	Dito vor Johann Jansen Ist Dort				
		Lohn vor Dienstag Morgen.				
"	9.	Dito: Hans vor Jan.		1.	Stück	3. 00.
		Lohn vor Dienst, Ist mit Dienstag, Mittwoch				
		Donnerstag vor Die Gelt Gelt Nach.		1.	Dito	1. 50.
"	15.	Gift vor Dort Thomas Thomas vor Hen-				
		rich, Thomas vor Jonas vor Lohn				
		Hans vor Hermelten.		1.	1[illegible]	1. 20.
"	18.	Gift vor Thomas Thomas vor Hermelten				
		vorwinnen Ein Thomas vor Jochum				
		vor Lohn vor Hans Thomas.		1.	130 lb.	9. 00.
"	19.	Hans Hermelten vor Bremsen Lohn				
		vor Bremsen vor Thomas vor Hermelten		1.	1[illegible]	6. 25
"	20.	Gift vor Thomas, Thomas Hans Hermelten				
		Thomas vor Lohn Hermelten Thomas				
		Lohn vor Hermelten vor Hermelten				
"	21.	Thomas vor Thomas, Hermelten Johann				
		Lohn, Hans, Hermelten Johann				
		Lohn vor Hermelten.		1.	132 lb.	7. 10.
"	22.	Gift vor Thomas, Thomas vor 55 Lohn				
		vor Hermelten vorwinnen Jochum vor				
		Thomas, vor Ein Hermelten Hermelten Thomas		1.	132 lb.	6. 10.
"	26.	Gift vor Thomas Thomas vor Jochum				
		Hermelten, Hans vor Jochum, Lohn				
		vor Thomas vor Lohn vor Hermelten.		1.	106 lb.	5. 85.
"	27.	Die Die Dienstag, Ein Hans: Hermelten vor				
		Lohn vor Hermelten.		1.	2[illegible]	2. 52.
Juli	3.	[illegible]				
		[illegible]				
		[illegible]				
		[illegible]				
		[illegible]				
"	4.	[illegible]		1.	2[illegible]	2. 00.
"	5.	[illegible]		1.	[illegible]	1. 50.
"	9.	[illegible]				
		[illegible]		1.	[illegible]	6. 00.
"	11.	[illegible]		1.	[illegible]	2. 25
"	12.	Gift vor Thomas vor Hermelten Lohn				
		vor Thomas: Gift Thomas Ein Thomas vor				
		vorwinnen Lohn Hermelten vor Jochum.		1.	157 lb.	7. 9.
		Summa		17.	1194 lb.	77. 90.

John William Kerr.

1st April, 30. June. 7

1887. May.				
"	13.	From London to Ingersoll & Beachville, examined 2 dams, and Dickways back to Ingersoll and Home.	17. 1194 Miles.	77. 90.
			" St & B.	1. 50.
			98. Ry.	3. 75.
"	17.	At Toronto, and the Number, and after seeing Bruce & Hicks, back to Toronto and Home!	1. 86. Ry.	5. 30.
"	20.	Off to St. Catharines and Niagara, & Queenston 4 and 2 mile Ponds.	St & B. 1. 70. Ry.	5. 25.
			St & B.	
"	21.	At Niagara, Queenston, the 2. and 4. and back to Niagara.	1. 68. Ry.	5. 00.
"	25.	At B. beach, found all correct.	1. 24. St & B.	2. 50.
"	26.	At Lincoln, and saw Paddy Hand.	1. 36. St & B.	2. 50.
"	28.	At G. T. Ry. station! to meet man from Lon: Elliot, going to Welland Canal, at the land; & distribute S. Trent fry there!!	1. 8. St & B.	2. 00.
"	30.	Off to St. Credit and Streetsville.	1. 77. Ry.	5. 10.
"	31.	Off to Niagara on duty, special!	1. 50. do.	5. 85.
June.	1.	At Niagara, St. Catharines, and Hamilton.	1. 52. do.	4. 50.
"	3.	On B. beach, fishermen applied for licence.	1. 26. St & B.	2. 00.
"	6.	On B. Hay to enquiring after illegal fishing.	1. 10. do.	2. 00.
"	9.	Hamilton, London and St. Stanley.	1. 128. Ry.	6. 60.
"	10.	London to Woodstock and Hamilton.	1. 80. do.	7. 30.
"	13.	At B. Beach, collected licence fees!	1. 26. St & B.	2. 00.
"	14.	Hamilton to P. Colburne, Port Rie, and back to Pt. Colburne. See report!	St & B. 1. 110. Ry.	6. 95.
"	15.	Pt. Colburne, to Long Branch, and return; thence Home to Hamilton!	St & B. 1. 90. Ry.	4. 60.
"	20.	Off to Grimsby, Clifton! and return.	1. 60. Ry.	2. 80.
"	22.	On B. beach, keeping an eye on fishing.	1. 24. St & B.	2. 00.
"	27.	Off to Port Dover, and Simcoe, and met Peter Grace, and Jas: L. Lucas! "see report"	St & B. 1. 112. Ry.	5. 95.
"	29.	On B. beach, keeping a watch on fishing	1. 24. St & B.	2. 00.
		Totals.	38. 2453 Miles.	166. 25.

John W. Kerr.

Hamilton!

Oct.

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[illegible] 30. June.

1887 June	13.	[illegible]			17. 119 [illegible]	77. 90.
"		[illegible]			[illegible]	1. 50.
"	17.	[illegible]			1 [illegible]	3. 75.
"	20.	[illegible]	1.	86. [illegible]	5.	30.
"	21.	[illegible]	1.	70. [illegible]	5.	25.
"	25.	[illegible]	1.	68. [illegible]	5.	00.
"	26.	[illegible]	1.	[illegible]	2.	50.
"	28.	[illegible]	1.	36. [illegible]	2.	50.
"	30.	[illegible]	1.	8. [illegible]	2.	00.
"	31.	[illegible]	1.	77. [illegible]	5.	10.
"	1.	[illegible]	1.	50. [illegible]	5.	85.
"	3.	[illegible]	1.	32. [illegible]	4.	75.
"	6.	[illegible]	1.	26. [illegible]	2.	50.
"	9.	[illegible]	1.	10. [illegible]	2.	00.
"	10.	[illegible]	1.	128. [illegible]	6.	60.
"	13.	[illegible]	1.	80. [illegible]	4.	50.
"	14.	[illegible]	1.	[illegible]	2.	00.
"	15.	[illegible]	1.	110. [illegible]	5.	90.
"	20.	[illegible]	1.	90. [illegible]	4.	50.
"	22.	[illegible]	1.	50. [illegible]	2.	80.
"	27.	[illegible]	1.	[illegible]	2.	00.
"	29.	[illegible]	1.	112. [illegible]	5.	90.
"	30.	[illegible]	1.	[illegible]	2.	00.
		Total.	88.	[illegible]		254.

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Hamilton! Ont. –

Sir, –

2nd. July 1887. –

I have the honor to send you herewith, for your consideration and approval [illegible] expenditure incurred by me on active duty, in the Hamilton, Norfolk, Elgin, London, Bothwell and Chatham Divisions of Lakes Erie and Ontario, and the Niagara River; and the River Thames; during the quarter ending the 30th day of June 1887.

Amounting in the aggregate to.			$166.25
Add: voucher No: 1.	Fred: Wm. Rothman!	"	6.25. –
" do. "	1. Edwd. J. Kerr. – do. –	"	6.25. –
" do. "	2. Geo. J. Kerr, – do. –	"	10.50. –
" do. "	3. Geo. Littlewood! – do. –	"	2.50. –
" do. "	4, John W. Kerr, – For Lumber,	"	2.00. –
" do. "	5, " do! –	"	Telegraphs. – 2.88. –
" do. "	6, " do! –	"	Office Rent. – 5.00. –
" do. "	7. " do! –	"	Cartages. – 3.35. –
" do. "	8. " do! –	"	Stationery. – 2.25. –
			Total. $207.75

You will please observe that during the quarter, just ended on 30th ultimo, I travelled 2.452 miles, covering portions of Norfolk, London, Bothwell and Chatham "on special duty" – besides attending to my own Divisions of Elgin and Hamilton. –

Respectfully Submitted! –

I have the Honor to be,

Sir, –

Your Obedient Servant. –

John W. Kerr.

Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa! Ont. –

Hamilton, 1st.

2nd July 1837.

I have the honor to acquaint you for your information and approval that I have this day in pursuance of the authority vested in me by Section Eighty six of the Hamilton Property Act, admitted and entered upon the duties of the office of Sexton, in the Burying Ground, and the Town Clerk, during the quarter ending the 30th day of June 1837.

Accounting on the appointments &c. £ 166.37½

Clerk, Rewards &c: £ Stat: Fees. Contingent. " 6.25.

" do. " 1. Salary ½ Fees. do. " 6.25.

" do. " 2. Salary ½ Fees. do. " 10.62.

" do. " 3. Sheriff's Warrant. do. " 2.50.

" do. " 4. Fees in Fees. Clerk Sessions. " 2.00.

" do. " 5. " do. " Stationery. 2.88.

" do. " 6. " do. " Office Rent. 5.00.

" do. " 7. " do. " Postages. 3.50.

" do. " 8. " do. " Advertising. 2.25.

Total. £ 207.12½

Upon which payment I have taken credit during the quarter, that amount on 30th ultimo, I travelled 2.473 miles, forming portions of Hamilton, Sessions, Bathurst and Carleton. In opening graves, attending at my own Sessions of Hamilton.

Respectfully submitted.

I have the honor &c.

&c.

John Stewart Sexton.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Finance.
Ottawa. 1st.

Philip Ellis
Chief Sexton

June ... 7. ...

			£.	s.
1887. June 13th	Robert Hall,	For licence!	5.	00. Remit repy to letter
"	Jonathan Berry,	For licence!	5.	00. of 13. June 1887 - and
"	Dan: McGregor,	For licence!	5.	00. Bank draft No: 135.
"	Margret Lee,	For licence!	5.	00. for $20.00
June 17th	Henry M: Sheppard,	For licence!	10.	00. Repy to letter of 17. June
"	William Scott & Co.	For licence!	5.	00. Bank draft No: 132.
"	Sidney Wright,	For licence!	5.	00. for $20.00
June 22nd	John W. Ramsay,	For licence!	25.	00. Repy to letter 22. June
"	Mortimer Berry,	For licence!	5.	00. Bank draft No: 142.
"	Frank Williams!	For licence!	5.	00. for $35.00
June 30th	John W. Ramsay!	For licence!	10.	00 See letter 30. June 1887
"	William Hand,	For licence!	5.	00. Bank draft 178. for 15.

P.S. Gentlemen please find the entire amount is $90.00 in accordance of application of 22nd of June. I applied for a licence for Robert Hall! the application is all right in itself only he has not paid one yet. — This $5.00 was intended for Mortimer Berry! — Remember! when I receive Robert Hall's licence, it will be all right again! — This return is for month ending 30th of June 1887. —

The Deputy Minister
Department of Fisheries. —
Ottawa! — Ont. —

Hamilton, Ont.
1st July 1887.

John W. Kerr

Hamilton,
Ont.

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Memo! for S. P. Bennet Esqr.
Fisheries Department.—
Ottawa! Oct.—

Copy of Walker F. Ferris, and Stephen Chase letter received with your Memorandum to me for Official enquiry and report. —

Personally I am not acquainted with either but I can tell you who they are by common report communicated to me previous to the last Dominion Election! Stephen Chase is Peter Price's nephew, and a Conservative, and a great friend of his! David Tisdale, M.P.P. but for some reason or another! he could not be got the vote for the Colonel, he is a Grit on Long Point Lows during the mild and shooting every gull! — Ferris, is just as he says in his letter, Peter's nearest neighbour across the town line, in Walsingham! while Peter lives in Charlottville. — until I come on Long Point and see them myself and get a list of their witnesses I shall keep mum!! —

All the persons named in my report in re James L. Duncan, report will tell every thing they know against him! Bawdy and Customs Jailer for Peter Price! and after it is on a private scale! what difference is there between Long point Company sublletting to girl Sturgeon gill nets! and not being able to sublet the privilege to girl Bunt, Peter's cousin and other girl, because the 4 years granted by the Fisheries department, to the Long point Company: says: You shall not sublet. — Peter Price, as you are, collects a Jug from each person fishing for sturgeon and turns down the amount to the Fisheries department, from the Long point Company! when the Company, presenting what balance remains of $100 their annual license fee; remits to the department the amount, as per the express upon the license fee for the year! — Do this do?, —

The amount these sturgeon gill net fishermen, the truth is, The Long point, do not fish themselves under their License, and

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Tristan Sapientissimi.

Ultimo! Et.

Sapiens Martin & Tristan, nunc Sapiens Dis
Iste remanet cum pro [illegible] &
ne pro Sapiens [illegible] nunc [illegible].

Quomodo [illegible] nunc [illegible] cum [illegible]
[illegible] pro [illegible] nunc [illegible] pro [illegible]
nunc [illegible] & [illegible] pro [illegible]
[illegible] pro [illegible] nunc [illegible] pro [illegible]
[illegible] pro [illegible] nunc [illegible] & [illegible]
[illegible] pro [illegible] nunc [illegible] & [illegible]
[illegible] pro [illegible] nunc [illegible] &

hours they cannot hold a fishing grant, unless the exercise thereon themselves the privilege of fishing, being the purpose for which alone the lease was granted!

Just read Sy: 2. of the Fisheries Act. It reads: "The Minister of Marine and Fisheries may, when the exclusive right of fishing does not already exist by law, issue or authorize to be issued fishery leases and licences for fisheries and fishing wherever situated, or carried on!!!" It is not carried on!!!

My belief is that, the Long Point, licence has lapsed! because no fishing has ever been carried on by that individual, by please give it your attention! –

Col: Tisdale, opposition at last election, came a great deal of grief his being the President of that Company. – It is just as well that yourself, and the Deputy Minister should know this. – –

I send you a letter, I have just received from John Leckie of Toronto,

by this letter you will learn what is going on with regard to illegal fishing nets furnished by the John Leckie to Georgian Bay – fishermen! please write and answer his enquiries! 5" mesh nets in fall should be strictly enforced to. – D. W. Port, John McKee, and many other fishermen who carry on fishing in Georgian Bay, – are in a fuss and will not get 5" inch mesh gill nets, – so long as the John Leckie, 76. Front street east, Toronto, furnish 4¾" inch mesh gill nets, without let or hindrance. – They should be stopped, and taught when pursuing their business – Give me authority and I will bring up the illegal gill nets, fishing in Georgian Bay. – I have written the John Leckie, to say no change has been made, and that I have forwarded his letter to The Department, and will do that he receive the required information from you!

Hamilton! Oct 4 Yours respectfully,

8. Oct/ 1877. P. Dyd. McK... &c

Copy.—

Volunteer Depot—
9th Front st. East—
Toronto, July 1. 1867.

J. W. Kerr Esqre
Hamilton—

Dear Sir—

I have ordered the rest of my gilt nuts for next season, and the best of my venus are 4½ inch round for Georgian Bay.— Do you likely to be any change, if so, please advise at once, so that I can raise the stakes.—

Yours truly,
J. S. Wilkie,—

Mr Barnett,—

I sent the bridges to the express this morning to you:— I sent a box Letter Press Book,— 1000. pages: Good cop. letters to be copied therein.— The last book was hardly large.—

Yrs respectfully,
J. S. Wilkie—
Do.

2 July 1867.—

you, in preparation to your large investment.— Some of the Good Not Jobbers, in Lower Division, are behind in the payment of their licence fees! they cannot expect me to recommend them for a renewal of their licence next year.— Every man has to toe the mark! and unless they do so, I cannot recommend them!— besides the unfair, one man pays! and Jobbers! and another does not pay! and he Jobbs all the same.— Politics are wrong to interfere in my business to Jobbers as paying licences goes.— It is unfair— for the sake such a privilege from the Department.— May God bless you all!— Yours Sincerely,
J. S. Wilkie
Do.

Wm Emery Esqre
V. H. V.
St Burwell.

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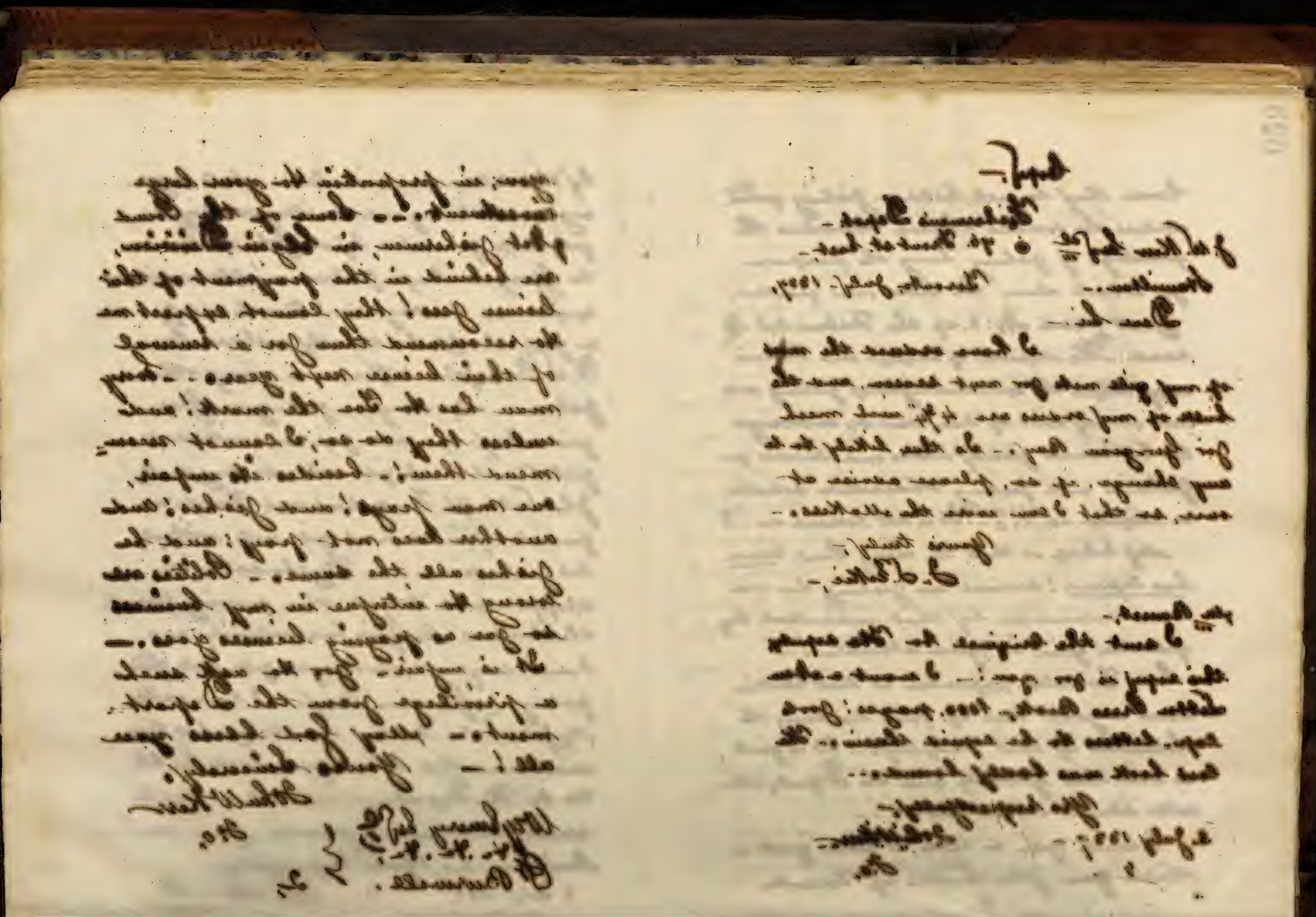

Hamilton, Oct. –

Sir:

3rd July 1889. –

I attach herewith for your inspection, a letter I have just received from Mr. John Lackie, 76 Front street east, Toronto. –

I have written him, but I respectfully recommend that you will be pleased to answer Mr. Lackie's letter fully, – and to the point in all respects. –

"It is just like nothing my hand! and then giving me a plaster!" Crowing 4½ inch meal gets only – stages big! and then a – giving if there is likely to be any change – Respectfully submitted! –

I have the honor to be,
Sir, –
Your obedient servant, –
[illegible] –
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy-Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont. –

One Printed Licence 1887.

John Robertson, –
Fishermen, –
Rushing Hay,
Ont.

Applied on the 18. July 1889.

One Printed Licence 1889.

Mr. William Reed,
Fisherman, –
Minnesota, –

Applied on the 18. July 1889.

Hamilton! Ont.

25th June 1827.

My dear Friend Gordon! –

I have to tell you at last; when I have become almost ashamed of myself, for long silence and my neglect in not answering your kind hearted letter, written at the time to assuage the pain I was then suffering; an affliction caused from the serious effects of a violent fall, which happened just this day 6 months. – It was Ethens day, and dinner was preparing, the table was laid. – I got up off a chair I was sitting upon walked to the front door, intending to take a look at Burlington Bay. – I opened the door stepped on to the upper step and as I done so, I saw that it was a sheet of Ice, and the other four steps: were all Ice over likewise! I felt satisfied, "to use a common phrase" I was about to put my foot in it; and instantly I placed

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my foot on the upper step; away I went with great force and velocity tumbled down over all the steps at lightning speed, slipped, fell, and was dashed on to the 5 steps, at the door, and off them on to a gravelled walk; my right knee, leg and thigh, got entangled under me when I fell; and the great force, with which I passed over the steps, send to the bottom on the gravelled walk; where I came in contact with a rough flag; this flag I have no doubt finally finished all the other damage and the injury I sustained; for when I was propelled on the flag, I lay helpless on the grand walk and there I lay helpless.

It is an old saying in Ireland; "There is always a slippy flag or stone at every Gentlemans, – Hall door!" this saying does not in this instance apply to me. I am now in a position to tell you; that I am getting better. – When I see you soon I hope you shall have all the particulars of the most wonderful escape

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Hamilton! Sept.

25th June 1887.

My dear Junior Member.

I have to tell you at last, that I have been almost ashamed of myself, for having delayed and neglected to acknowledge your kind hearted letter, written at the time to encourage the poor I was suffering under an affection, cause from the serious effects of a violent fall, which happened just this day 6 months. - At was Thursday day, and almost exactly the hour, the table was fair. I got up at a time I was sitting upon another to the front door, intending to take a look at Dunlop the day. - I opened the door, stepped on to the upper step, and as I came so, I saw that it was a sheet of ice, and the other four steps; was on the same flagstone! I felt satisfied it was a common place? I was about to put my foot in it; unconsciously I placed

my foot on the upper step; immediately I went with great force and velocity tumbled down over all the steps at lightening speed, falling, and was stunned on to the 6 steps, at the door, and off them on to a pavement walk; my leg hit three, leg and thigh, got nothing for under me when I fell; and the great force with which I pressed on the steps, came to the bottom, on the pavement, when I came in contact with a tough flag. This flag I have no doubt finally finished the other damage and the injury I sustained; for when I was picked up the flag, I had dislocated the pavement walk and the I had dislocated.

It is an old saying in Glasgow: "There is always a slippy flag to stand at every gentlemans door." "This saying was not in this instance applied to me. I am now in a position to tell you that I am getting better. When I see you I hope you will have all the particulars of the most unusual accident

from a broken thigh, or even more severe injury. Fortunately my right hand or leg have not been affected by the fall. I thank God, for sparing me for the day I endureth forever."—

Her Most Gracious Majesty—the Noble Queen's Jubilee—has been respond by all Her Loyal subjects—the world wide! all over... In 1837—She ascended the Throne of England, &c, on the 22nd June: for 50 years, as Sovereign of the British Empire, and Empress of India, &c. &c.. &c. &c.—she stands this day—as a Great and powerful Monarch... None like Her—before in Old England.—May she continue to reign in Peace and Happiness—for several years to come! Protestant England, the best and most liberal Government on Earth. Her people Conservatives and Liberals are all alike true, faithful and loyal

to the Queen, the British Crown and the British Constitution!— And even the Catholic Noblemen of Ireland have approached the throne displaying their Loyalty! Among them, the Earl of Granard, whom I saw once, many years ago! However it was after His Marriage in to the Command, family—he turned and became a Catholic... His father, Lord Forbes, was never Earl of Granard.. He died during the life time of his father! and then it was Lady Forbes—Earl of Granards—mother,—married a person named Vaughan,—who saved her life, he was a Catholic, and likely helped The Earl—to ally himself to Holy Mother Church,—I must admire a great many Catholics for their loyalty! but I despise the Rebel portion of my Country men—the Irish—but I always feel happy—and I am sure you will join

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with all heart and soul: in praying
God bless her, Noble Queen!

In my younger days, I was amongst other things taught to be loyal and true to the Reigned Head of England. I was born the evening of the 25th of June 1814, when George the 3rd Reigned! George the 4th and William the 4th followed their father in succession. And then followed in succession "Our Noble Queen!"

Another thing impressed upon my mind, when I was young, was the 5th Commandment: thus: "Honor thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee?" — As time wearing on, as it was intended it should be, the day it was delivered by the Almighty Jehovah, through the pleasure: — read the 20th of Exodus! — I tried to praise this commandment, and God has seen fit to prolong my days, beyond the allotted term & time of 3 score and ten! Glory, Honor, Praise, Majesty and Dominion be unto him for all His goodness to me, and you and all our friends and relations from this time forever more! Amen! — I got a potion of this letter, written on the 25th of June — but then had to postpone it, because busy, very busy! I have a few hours now left to complete it! I have to start for Long point, on tomorrow morning! I will drop a line to your father on the subject. —

Dear Ely and all I heartily wish you good wishing to E. Jones, and Mrs. wishing the good wishing to all present, so you may judge. My brother has had no rest, and hence I suppose why I am not completely recovered long ago. But any thing going on wrong

with the Fishermen at Pt. Burwell,
I believe I would have come up before
this; England expects every man will
do his duty. – Other offences are com-
mitted in connection with the Fisheries, in
contravention of the Fishery Act! It is
the duty of the Fishery Officer to go
constantly, and enquire into it. –

I hope your Fisheries are turning out
well. – Kindly remember me to your
sisters, the Pa and the! – And be so
good as to tell them that as soon
as I get back from Long point, and
Southampton, Lake Huron, I will
God willing – to come and see you
and my friends who remember me
in my affliction. – You are all well,
and hope you enjoy the same bless-
ing – believe me, Yours truly, –
Master Jonathan Y. Young, Philip Vankoughnet
Pt. Burwille, C. W.

Private!

Mr Jas: L: Duncan. – Hamilton! Ont.
Fishermen, Ont. – 11. July 1859. –

My dear Sir! – Your Post card received,
I send your last year licence as requested under
a Fisheries Act. – I am glad to have this pre-
sent year's licence renewed and granted to you,
by the Deputy Minister, every effort being made to
deprive you of a licence altogether! as I have
advised you, be always strictly obedient to
the Fishery laws. – Don't disrich from what is
laid down for your guidance. – Peter Ross has
I suppose; seen Col: Tisdale, since I was on Long
point last wednesday; – I got a telegraph from
here on saturday protesting against your get-
ting a licence the first in Lake Erie, between the
Old and the New Cut, Long point; that he
was telegraphing Mr Tilton. – The Col: has no
control over me, I am not subject by him in any
shape or form; I hope to do justice to you all. –

I hoped you to get your licence for this year. –
go out as far as you like in Lake Erie, in front
of your licensed limits. – Yours truly, –
Philip Vankoughnet J. C. –

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Hamilton, Ont.,
4. July 1887.—

My dear Sir!

Your Woodstock friends have given me a Petition for the Honble The Minister of Fisheries; praying to set apart certain Ponds and Creeks abounding with Speckled Trout, all as it appears situated in your locality. — But these gentlemen tell me that you decline to sign the Petition, until you had first seen me on the subject. — You will be always safe and secure in my hands. ~~and~~ that you may rely upon. —

It is my intention to come up and see you on this subject, but thought the matter over, until I had first seen you on the subject. —

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Please write me on receipt, and let me know what it is you require of me to do for you in the matter, and you may command me! — Only I am busy, and have been since I got the Petition. I would have called upon you long ago, and consulted you on this business, who know so much. — Write me on receipt. — I have not been at your place since early in September 1885. —

And the Accounts I have heard from time to time are always so much in your favour. — Any thing you require, let me know and I will submit the matter ~~[illegible]~~ to The Fisheries Department, and recommend the same for consideration.

Yours respectfully,
John W. Kerr.

William Thornton Esqre Sheriff Carleton.
Lots Nos: 1, and 2,
3rd Concession, West of Jond,
Woodstock — Ont.

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Hamilton! Ont.

Sir.

5. July 1887.

I have the honor to send you Bank draft No; 186.- for the sum of Sixty dollars.-

Will you be pleased to apply this amount as follows:

1. James L. Joyce, Brants: For Boat license for year 1886.- to fish gill nets for herring in Lake Ontario; fronting on the County of Halton.- Only received this day, amount, 10.00.-

2. Daniel Paterson, Aldboro: For, and on account of Pound Net fishing in Lake Erie fronting on the township of Aldboro, above and below Port Glasgow, during this current year.- Rent for One Pound only.- 50.00

Total. $ 60.00

Respectfully submitted.-

I have the Honor to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant.-

John Wiker

Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa! Ont.

One Printed fishing license for 1886.-

Received the 11th July 1887.

John Wiker
Hamilton.-
Hamilton.-
Ont.

Wimbledon, Surr.

7th July 1886.

Sir,

I have the honor to send you herewith Chq. No. 186, for the sum of twenty dollars. Kindly you be pleased to supply the amount as follows:

1. Jones & Jones, Brooks: For Court Leaver for year 1886. In full pls note for showing in Little Britain: printing on the Journal of 4.00.
Allowance: Less received this day amount 16.00.
2. Daniel Peterson, Wallace: For, cost on account of Court that printing in Little Bro printing on the township of Wallace, where cost below. Cost of Journal, showing the amount year: Cost for the Journal only 20.00
Balance 4 00.00

Respectfully submitted.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.

Township Treasurer.

Township Auditor.

Township Auditor.

Wimbledon, Ont.

Sir,

Your Statement of the township for the year 1886 has been duly audited and found correct.

Township Auditor.

Mr James L. Duncan.-
Fisherman.
Forrestville, Ont.-

Hamilton! 6. July 1887.-

My dear Sir,- Having laid your case before the Department at Ottawa; to which I will at a more convenient time allude to, and write you about in full.--- I may tell you The Deputy Minister has taken a lenient view of your case; I therefore beg of you to be more careful in future. Here is the copy of The Deputy-Ministers decision.-

Sir, Copy.- Ottawa, 4. July 1887.-

"You will therefore please on receipt of this direct "Conroy Bros to restore Duncans boat, nets and the "money realized from the sale of the fish and deliver "the amended license herewith, after countersigning it."

J. W. Kerr, Esq. Hamilton! - Signed John Tilton,- D. M. of Fisheries.-

I send you your license herewith: fish within the limits described in your license.- Hand Peter Bros the enclosed order and he will deliver up to you, your boat, nets, and $6.50 of the amount he sold the fish he seized for.--- Today- I was at Long point, and left to meet you there:-- And I telegraphed to St Williams, on tuesday asking you to meet me at Long point today.- Write me fully after you have seen Conroy Bros.-

Yours truly.-

Copy.- Hamilton, Ont. 6. July 1887.- John W. Kerr. F.O.-

My dear Sir,- Having read to you the correspondence I received from the Deputy Minister of Fisheries - in the James L. Duncan case nothing now remains for us to do, but to carry the same into effect.-- I therefore by the power invested in me by The Deputy Minister of Fisheries direct you to govern yourself accordingly.- "You will therefore please on receipt of "this! direct Conroy Bros to restore Duncans boat, nets, and "the money realized from the sale of the fish, and deliver the "amended license herewith after countersigning it." It is done!-

Peter Bros
Fo. St Williams.

I send the license by email to Hamilton to Duncan's address.-
Yours faithfully - John W. Kerr. F.O.-

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Hamilton, 6. July 1887.

My dear Sir, — Morning last you spoke of a more convenient time than at present for your about it. — I may take you the [illegible] [illegible] a lawyer's view of your case; & [illegible] you to be more prepared in future. Yours in the interest of the Oppressed Crofters.

Sir, [illegible]

Dalry. — Edinr. 11. July 1887.

My dear sir, Thanks for receipt of the draft [illegible] Business last night, right and [illegible] the amount [illegible] & [illegible] Yours truly,

[illegible]

Hamilton, 6. July 1887. [illegible]

My dear Sir, — Thanks for the newspapers. I send you the Oppressed Crofters of Gairloch — in the form of Business [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Hamilton! Ont.

Sir!- 8. July 1887....

A copy of the complaint made against Messrs. Peter Price of Long point, Lake Erie; by Walker F. Ferris, and Stephen Price of St Williams, fishermen on Lake Erie, fishing on Long point, in the township of Walsingham, dated 27th June last, was duly received by me for enquiry and report....

On the 6th of July instant, I crossed over Long point, where I saw Peter Price, and Mr F. Ferris: I had them both before me at the same time.- Stephen Price was then home at St Williams, attending to his hay crop...

I submit a statement made by Peter Price, and a statement made by Thomas Cuthbert, in reply to the complaint made against Messrs Price: but the complexion of the complaint is not changed!-

Peter Price, is under the impression, and he contends that he can fish, buy and sell fish, there being as he asserts nothing in the Fisheries Act, to prevent him from doing so! the statements, 1, and 2, are attached.- It appears Peter Price bought twine and sturgeon gill nets for Mess.rs George Cauble, and Thomas Cuthbert... They were to fish the gill nets, and they and Peter are to share equally in the catch of sturgeon! each were to have 1/3rd and were to share the same accordingly...

Peter Price, acting under the advice of the President of the Long point, Company, as he says: issues Permits, to each person employing a boat and 500, yards of gill net, at $5.00 annual license fee.-

The Deputy Minister -
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa! - Ont. -

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[illegible] 8. July 1897.

[illegible] complaint made against Mr. [illegible] of long point, state that: the [illegible] of [illegible], was [illegible] Mr. [illegible] of the [illegible], [illegible] on long point, in the township of [illegible], [illegible] 27th June last [illegible] duly licensed by me for keeping out taverns.

On the 4th of July instant, I received over long point, where I saw the [illegible] [illegible]: I have then left before me at the house. [illegible] were then there, and [illegible] attending to his duty.

I submit a statement made by the [illegible], and a statement made by [illegible] [illegible] in regard to the complaint made against Mr. [illegible]: but the conclusion of the complaint is not changed.

The [illegible], in making the [illegible], must be [illegible] should [illegible] be one fact, but [illegible] fact, then being on [illegible] nothing in the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] appears the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Peter Price, also boards illegally at Castabout, and Carroll. A shanty was put up fishing on Lake Ivi and the fishing grounds

Were the laws down for the plain practice of the Law itself. -- The present 9 years lease, granted to the Long point Company if an enquiry was made! would not bear the light of day. -- The provisions of the Fisheries Act have never been fulfilled by the Company! The 2nd clause of the Fishery Act, invalids the Lease in my humble opinion. The lease has never been put in operation by the said Company ... They have never fished as others have done on their own account. -- Subletting has been their plan of fishing until stopped by your and the Department last year. ...

There is another matter in connection with the Long point Company you should know. --

The Long point Company, I was told by John [illegible] Gentleman, applied last year to [illegible] Government. Lands, and obtained a [illegible] mangled extract of the clause by, [illegible] the Mangled letter from the Crown, in Lake Erie to Port Rowan, Mr Williams, and been [illegible] back on Long point. ...

Among the Long white, it does not appear [illegible] people say and that Peter Price, Owner of Pelican on Long point, Lake Erie, paid by the Fishery Department, Ottawa! should any longer exercise his position and give his services to a private Company — at same time as a man [illegible] last Wednesday, on Long point drawing $60. a year besides incidentals! from the Fisheries Department. ... This arrangement, it appears to me, is inconsistent with the late Commissioner of Fisheries,

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ward has failed to be a benefit to the fisheries, "being intended for another purpose".— I recommend this matter for your consideration. . . .

The persons who enjoy permits to fish for sturgeon with gill nets within the Long Point Company's leased limits: in Lake Erie, fronting on Long point, township of Walsingham: are the personal friends, relations and favourites as it appears of Pelee Island.. He permits, no one else to fish there! and such is the report amongst fishermen. . . .

It was told me on Long point on last wednesday, that it is in contemplation by the Long point Coy. to employ Poles men to catch the fish for the benefit of the Company, who are to pay them for doing so!— Poles separate a portion of the Point fishery for breeding purposes.— The place is too extensive to be confined to breeding purposes.— I believe the fisheries around Long point, in Lake Erie, south of the point, and in the Outer Bay, and in the Inner Bay, should be henceforth fished by men who have invested extensively in fishing, under proper annual licences from the Department of Fisheries, Ottawa!.. The Long point Company have attempted about 1/2 a dozen times by sublletting the Fisheries to fish, and make the fisheries about Long point productive! but they have utterly failed in every attempt and effort they have made.

It is only right, just and proper, that you as the Deputy Minister of fisheries, should know every thing about the Long point fisheries.— Leased for the small pittance of $100. a year; by the late Commissioner of Fisheries!! and not I am sorry to say for fishing purposes; except by sublletting.—

A large extensive place, say from the Old out,

must the Jailer be to be a keeper to the Prisoner, being authorized for another purpose? I answer - - -

to the Light House, at the Lake end of Long point, is counted 20 miles. -- And from the Outer bay across the point to the south shore of Long point, Lake Erie; is in some places five miles. - And then the fisheries leased to the Long point Company, extends from the beach in to Lake Erie, south, 5 miles! and in the Outer Bay. - it extends 5 miles in to the waters of the Bay. - "It is a big extensive fishery". -- "A great huge Monopoly". -

It strikes me very forcibly - that Peter Price, fishery Overseer, on Long point, Lake Erie, instead of working altogether I might say; for the Long point Company, as arranged by the late Commissioner of fisheries! - Peter Price - should be conjoined altogether to the protection and preservation of the fisheries about this big Island, Long point. - I recommend this matter for your mature consideration. -- It is necessary a change should be made. The object intended to be accomplished, by the late Commissioner - is now obsolete. - I dont care to particularize further: - But I may safely tell you the Members comprising the Long point Company, would not this day make Mr. W. F. Whitcher, a complement, who has done so much for them. - - -

I may repeat, Ferris told me in the presence of Peter Price, that every word his letter of the 27th of June last, written to you, is correct - Peter Price - also built a New boat for Carrole and Easterbout to fish in, during this current year. - Ferris fished for Peter Price last year; this year Peter Price took a portion of Ferris and Stephen Price's ground away from them this year, and gave it to Carrole and Easterbout! - Ferris in making the complaint against Peter Price - has no unkind feelings towards Peter

to the digit three, at the distance of about point is another 30 miles. — But from the outer bay across the point to the south shore of Long Point, distance this is six hundred miles. — Now then the fishermen leaves to the Long Point Company, returned from the beach in to distance this south, 5 miles! must in the outer bay. — it returned 5 miles in to the waters of the bay. — It is a long ex- tension fishing?! — It great large observed?! —

It strikes me very forcibly that Peter Bree, fishing leaves on Long Point, distance this nothing altogether 5 miles! for the Long Point Company, as measure by the lots Bree = missioner of fisheries! — Peter Bree — should be con= fined altogether to the protection and preservation of the fishing about this big island, Long Point. — I recommend this matter for your serious consider- ation. — It is necessary a change should be made. The right authorities to be accomplished. by the lots commissioner is now absolute. — I don't care to particularize further: — But I very earnestly take the liberties requiring the Long Point Company would not this Long Point also. It. It interfere a consid- ment, with the close to record for them. — —

I very report, Bree that me in the presence of Peter Bree, that every word his letter of the 27th of June last, written to you, is correct. — Peter Bree. also built a new boat for herself our Constituent to fish in, during this current year. — Bree fished for Peter Bree, last year, this year Peter Bree took a portion of Bree out Angus Bree's pressure every from this year, our year it to herself our Constituent! — Bree in nothing the complaint against Peter Bree. has no authority fishing towards Peter

Peter's daughter, Martha, stops every night with Mrs. Ferris, - while her husband is on Long point fishing. - - An American Green Boat, was anchored in the Eastern Bay, - near Ryerson's Island, when I got to the Cottages at 12. o'clock. noon, - on wednesday last. - Captain Alderson of Port Dover, on his return from Port Rowan, called for me at the Cottages. Long point, and took me back to Port Dover. -

With reference to Peter Price, I may tell you that for six years. he was placed under my superintendence in the Norfolk Division - Lake Erie, in past years. he proved himself on many occasions, a very efficient, active port officer: I can never forget him for the assistance he rendered me in those primitive days of the Long point and Turkey point fisheries. -

I may state for your information, that Mr. George Harris of London, Esq. a Barrister, with his wife, and youngest son was on board the steamer, that took me to Long point, on last wednesday. - - Mr. Harris is a stock holder in the Long point Bay, - was on his way there; his brother Edward Harris - a Barrister - London - is President of the Long point, Company. - Mr. George Harris, does not approve of Peter Prices - proceedings, would prefer to see every thing go on smoothly: since here the Long point fisheries set apart altogether for breeding purposes, it was the wish of his brother Edward, the President - that it should be so. - "It is too much of a Fishery to be looked up: when our people fishermen, - would like to see it cleared annually, in the usual way by you and the Department". -

I have known Edward and George Harris for 40 years - since they were school boys. Edward

Peter's daughter, Ruth, whom many might with
whom Peter, while he thought it a very proper girl=
ing. — In Lincoln's Inn that was unknown to
the Peter Ray, — was Paramour School, when I got to
the Cottage at Ry. Court, was, — or unknown that. —
Hopkins Children of Ct. Chester, on his return from
Ct Newm. called for me at the Cottage, along
point and took me back to Ct Chester. —

With reference to Peter Wm. I may tell you
that for my pains, he was placed under my in=
structions in the Hospital Mission, data his
or part pains, to prove himself an usual assessing
a usual appointed, active part appear: then was
brought him for the assistance to remove me to
where principle days of the along point and the=
ally point publicity. —

I may state for your information, that the Charge
Minister of Chester, but a Barrister with his wife,
and appointed two was on leave the Chester, that
took me to along point on last unknown. —
My Chester is a Court taken in the along point Ry.
was a his usual time; his further Income Chester. a
Barrister. Chester. is Resident of the along point
Commission. — My Charge Chester, was not appointed
of Peter Wm. proceeding, under proper to see
usual thing by an Assistant: then was the along
point publicity but report obtained for Preaching
purpose, it was the work of his further Income, the
Resident. that it should be so. — This was usual
of a Christ to be looked up: with our people
publicity, was he like to see it Income usually
in the usual way by you was the Appointment. —
Then Income Chester and Charge Chester for
40 years. since they was Rather high, Income

Harris, paddled me in a dog-out bance, up to a the bear 38 years ago, in the River Thames at London, when I killed the bear with a blow of an axe in the head. -- All of which is respectfully submitted. -

I have the Honor to be,

Sir, -

Your Obedient Servant. -

John W. Kerr. -

Fishery Overseer. -

P.S. I talked with Peter Price, about his refusing to sign James L. Duncan's license, as directed by you. Drew his attention to his oath of office; and to the letter and spirit of the said Oath; thus: - "Act in accordance with my instructions". - This took Peter down a peg! this he persisted in saying Snook would take of Duncan for fishing within his licensed limits. - I warned Peter not to interfere for Snook any more, Duncan's license for being printed 2nd of April last, was most likely received before Snook license was issued for the same fishing grounds. - However whether one way or the other, your orders and instructions I told Peter, should in all cases be instantly obeyed and always respected. -

Yours Obediently, -

John W. Kerr. F.O.

b.

Gentlemen, permitted me in a very few words, upon the 8th day of June 38 years ago, in the House of Commons, when I tried the law until a flow of eloquence in the House. - Life of which is temporarily substituted. -

I have the Honor &c &c,

Your Obedient Servant -

Philip Stone -

Finlay Brown -

Dear Sir, I believe with Your Bill, about the repealing the Jurors Act. Gentlemen Jurors, as arranged by your Committee, the attitude of the Bill of Rights; and the Bill Commissioners, Bill, Bill: Have in Commons were with our institutions. Bill that Bill Bill Bill

Respd. — No: 1. —

I Have seen Peter Price, — who positively denies that he has fished for, nor caught fish, in Lake Erie, as reported against him by Walter F. Ferris, and Stephen Price! but he admits, that he has bought fish, bought a few only for his customers. — —

Peter says he has examined the Fishers Act, in his own case and finds nothing in it, to debar him from fishing or buying or selling fish. — He has fished none himself, has supplied Thomas Easterbrook, and George Carroll, with twine sufficient to hang 500 yards of sturgeon gill nets, — because they were unable to buy them, themselves! and he takes the fish (sturgeon.) they caught and pays him for the Nets, in that way. — Carroll ~~and Easterbrook~~ pays the Long Point Company, — five dollars licence fee annual year for the privilege of fishing. —

Peter, states he has a great deal of trouble with Ferris and Stephen Price — they refuse to pay licence Peter states this year, and has not paid yet, although fishing all the time. — —

The licence in this case, would be $5.00 which Peter states, — they positively refuses to pay. — Long Point, Lake Erie! Signed! Peter Price, —

6. July. 1827. — — — J. O.

Witness, — John Ottawa —

Zachary Cameron.

Report — No: 10 —

A Witness from Peter Chase — respectfully remarks that he has fished for our sought fish in Cape Ann so respecting against his by Hooks & Lines, and Cape Cod. Just he asserts that he has sought fish sought & gun self for his sustenance. —

Peter says he has spoken the Indians that in his own time ever such nothing in it. He states his gun fishing or hunting or selling fish. — He has fished now himself, has supplied Thomas Southard, and large herself, with twice sufficient to hung 500 pounds of sturgeon yield each. — Thomas that were unable to buy them themselves; and he takes the fish (sturgeon) that sought and large for the state, in that way. — Indians not allowed fish the along Point Dunpunk. Just others Indians for present year for the privilege of fishing. —

Peter states he has a great deal of trouble with Thomas and Dolphin Chase — that deprives he fish licence. Peter states this year, and has not yet got without fishing all the time. —

The licence is this year, number 1 [illegible] which Peter states. That presentedly represents the year along Point, state his! Respect! Peter Chase. —

Yours [illegible] — [illegible] — [illegible] — [illegible] — [illegible]

Copy. - No. 2. -

Thomas Cuthbert, fisherman, - township of Wel-
sey, Ham - states that Peter Price, Sidney Cuneo, both
for himself and George Barnes, - 500 yards of Ster-
geon gill nets, which they fish under a permit
on, and within the Long point Company's home
limits, in Lake Erie, and for which they pay $50.00
licence fee for year 1887. -

Cuthbert states positively that Peter Price, does
not fish, but they (Barnes and he,) use him their
fish. -

Long Point, Lake Michigan, Thomas Cuthbert. -
6. July 1887. -
Witness, - John Stevens. -
Sidney Cuneo.

Witness of J. Stevens -
Witness. -
Cuthbert, Det.

Received 11th July 1887.

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ellems! for S. P. Bennet Esqre
Fisheries Department. –
Ottawa!

Your letters – with enclosures – are received, and for which I sincerely thank you! –

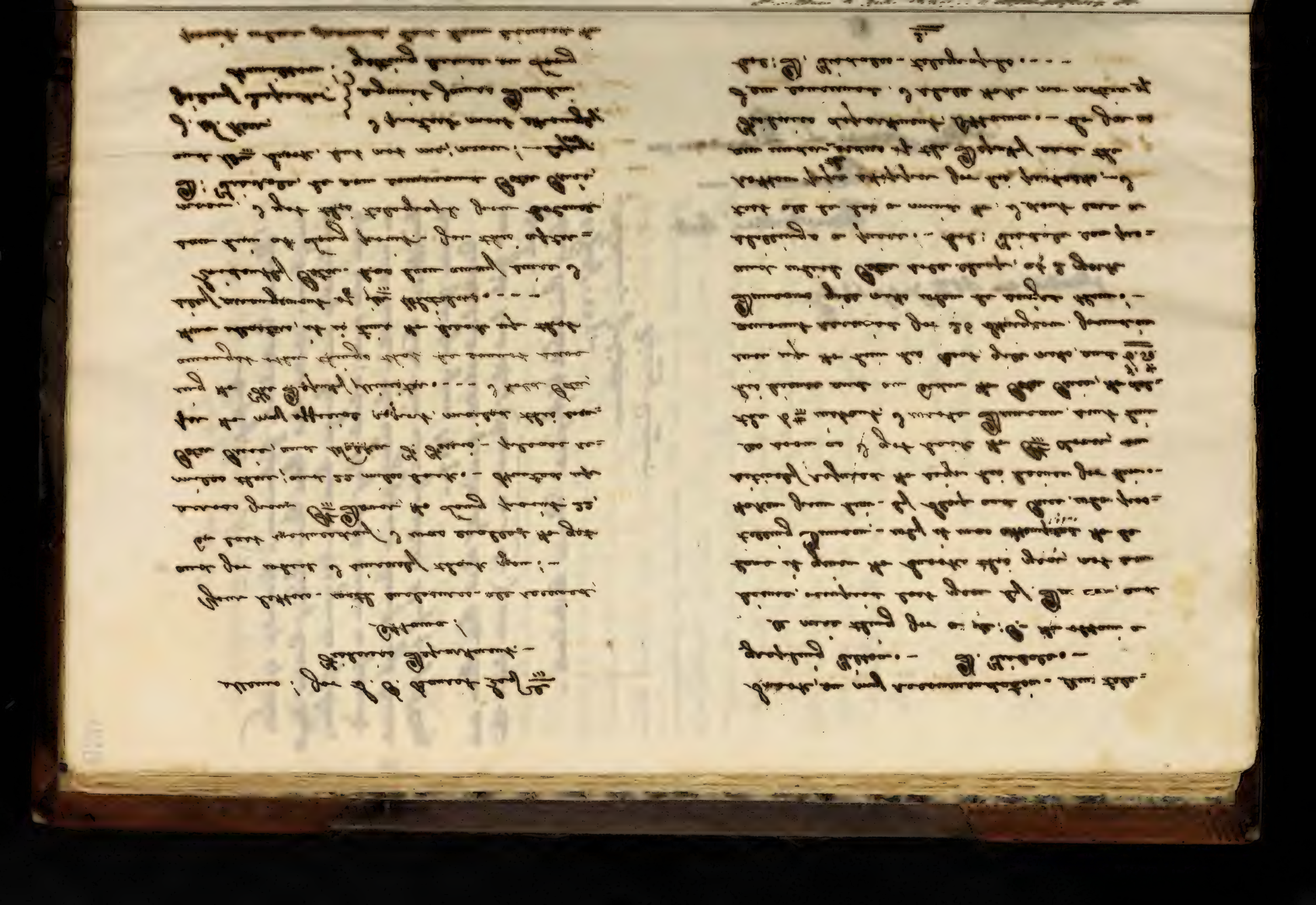
On last wednesday, I was called to get across from Pt^t Dover, to Long point 22, miles there; and 22 miles back. – Hunted up Peter Price, and Walter F. Ferris, – please refer to my official report, mailed this evening to The Deputy Minister. – – – I told Peter, amongst other things that, he cannot serve two masters, it is time to break up that silly management of the Whitelaws. – – –

Evidently Peter has been away since I saw him at Long point. – For this afternoon, I got this telegraph from Colonel D: Tisdale, he saw commissioner Peter Price, and Mr^r Brook, but not me; mark! – Copy.

J. W. Kerr,
Filling Deputy,
Hamilton!

I protest most strongly against James Duncan getting licence on Long point, where parties had been licenced to Brook, on my recommendation. Stop telegraphing Tilton. – D. Tisdale. –

A nice thing for a Pt: P. – He obtain a licence, cancelled last year by Duncan, and have it given to Brooks this year, not even telling Duncan, – why it was attempted to be taken from him – by Sharp and Price, who positively refused to sign his licence for him. – As soon as I got back to Pt^t Dover, on the 6th instant, I wrote Duncan, sent him his licence and an Order to Peter Price, to deliver up to him his boat, gill nets, and 7/ 7^d 6.50 amount received for 26 Sturgeon, found in Duncan's gill nets when he seized them! – and which Peter sold Sharp, at 2 York shillings a piece! – Col: Tisdale can protest all he has a mind to, I dont care a rotten pipe stipper for his protests, – I am under the orders of the Deputy and the Fisheries department, Ottawa. – So far as I am concerned, I shall take no notice of Col: D. Tisdales – telegraphs. – – –



"Why take away the licensed ground from Duncan, and then give it to Mr. Hewitt?" Already in possession of Eor 8 licensed building grounds, and a Boat licence. —

I could have said a great deal more in my report about Long point and Mr. Whitcher, but I dont care to do it. — He just as soon as he scented to be commissioner of fisheries, that moment the Long point boy, — called him every thing that was mean! — and when he enquired and wanted to know from the boundary of the Long point boy. — If the Directors had given him free shooting the gate after he left the Fisheries department, the reply was — Mr. Whitcher in office, was one thing! and Mr. Whitcher out of office, was a different thing!! he wouldn't get no more free shooting in Long Point — and as Director Mr. Lee, a London England, New York — Intensive Merchant — Sole myself, they invited Whitcher as their guest for a week; and he remained there for

five weeks. .... There can be no doubt whatever but Peter Crise — applied to Dr. Tindale, the have Duncan put off the ground, I hope you will never permit such a thing — Just see how Peter Crise, has been carrying on! — put on and to it and dont leave it the talk of the country any longer. — The Long point company, — have this one now! and he should act for the company, and let Peter Crise, be a fishing licence, and not a Broker for the Long point boy. —

I was mailing my report when I received Tindales — telegraph — I hope the Deputy minister, will show the ch. O. he is made of the better stuff. —

Remember! the fishing of Long point has been the site and now set is a Light house reserve, Government property, and form no part of the Long point company property. It belongs to the Light house Department, and the Light keeper has a good many duties there. — Yours respectfully

Ottawa 4 Jul. 1882 [illegible]

Please give Carmill, Receipts as follows:-

No: 4334.- for £150 00/00 for Salary.- Quarter ending 30th June 1887.-

- No: 4562.- for £56.25 c.- Balance of Disbursements, as Ex.- from 1st April, to 30. June 1887.-

Charge No: 1.- Ex £100.- On account of Disbursements as Commr. of Fisheries, Ontario.-

Yours Respectfully.-

John Kerr.-

Sidney Crosby.

Hamilton. Ont.
11th July 1887.-

Hamilton! Ont,-
19. July 1887.-

My dear Sir,

Yours received! you can have a Boat license for the Fish and Supplement of Gill sticks say from 500 yards expands to 1000, yards.- License for only $50 :- - please send me the money on receipt, also send me the number of yards of Gill nets, that you propose to fish.... And just say: from what particular place outside of the Point to any other place you intend to fish, so that I may insert it in your license.

Keep a look out for the Bucks, from Buffalo, and when they come along drop me a line! Kindly remember me to your father and mother, and believe me! Yours truly.-

John Kerr.

Charles Mandcott, Esq.
Port Dover. Ont.-

Sidney Crosby.

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Mr. Alex: Robertson,
Orangeston! Ont. –
Carlisle P. Office,

Hamilton! Ont. –
11th July 1887. –

My dear Sir, – While you please give herewith $20, – and, this I would have sent you some time ago; but I have been away from home. – I received the last two hives you sent me all right! – and I have a good swarm of bees in one of them.

The swarm I got from you on last year, last 8 swarms – this year, all doing well.

Out of 5 old hives – I have got 9. strong swarms – and a first swarm left the hive after being put in and went away.

Of common hive, I have swarmed 5 times. The small swarms – I put 3. together and 2. swarms together! so you may see I have done well. – I want at present another hive, for I have two hives, from which I want to remove the bees – so as to give them a fair chance to lay up abundance of honey. – I want an extractor, &c. so you will have to provide me with one or let me know where I can procure all these things – I have a respectable show of bees, have got the hives painted white and blue, and their appearance is respectable. – I want you to print, with my another good swarm of your Italians. –

The bees bred in just sufficient to blow and honey – will be plentiful. – I cannot say yet, if the surplus boxes will be filled, but I hope they will be. – The balance, whatever it is, please let me know and I will send it to you. –

I have got 2 old common hives, – and these I want to transfer into your hives – so please send me on the other four hives to complete the tiers, – I have as you may remember that small hive I got in the Fairies – on King St. – and I made up a swarm in it, but I don't think it will winter there. With kind regards to you and family – Mrs Campbell and family, believe me, Your much obliged, John Wheeler P.O.

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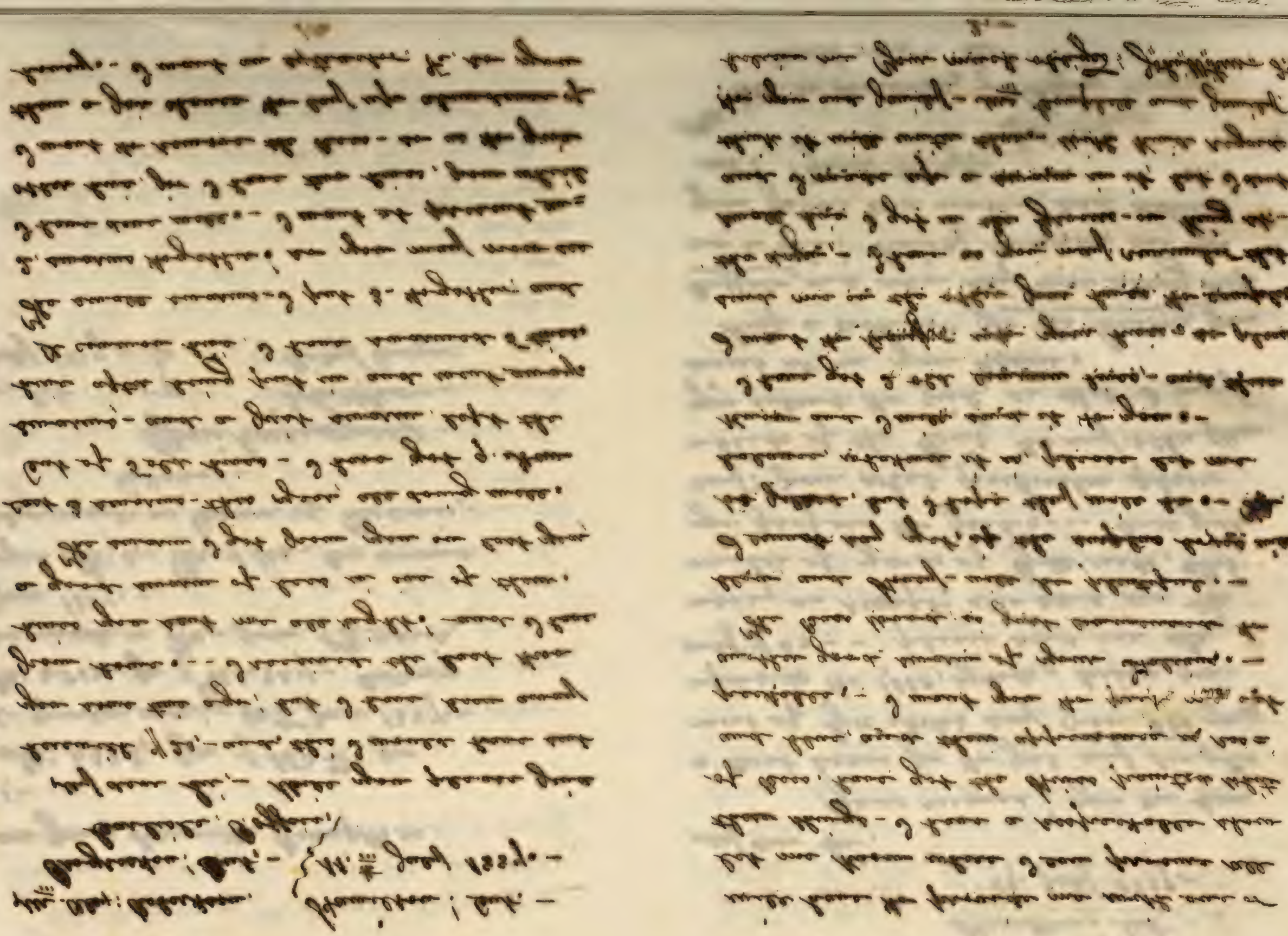

Hamilton, Ont.,
12. July 1887.---

Sir,

I have the honor for to send you Bank draft, No: 209. for One Hundred and fifty dollars, being license fees for this current year of 1887, as follows:-

1. Joseph Page, and Hay.- For, and on account of license for to fish two pound nets in Lake Erie, east of Tyrconnell,- on acct. $50.00.-

2. Daniel Lang- Eagle, For, and on account of license for fish three Pound nets in Lake Erie, at Eagle, on acct.- " 100.00.

With due respect.- Total. $150.00.-

I have the Honor to be.-

Sir,-

Your Obedient Servant,-

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,-
Ottawa, Ont,-

John W. Kerr,
Fishery Overseer.

Hamilton, Ont.-
16. July 1887.-

Dear Sir,-

I have your receipt for the fifty dollars, and Eagle fishermen have paid the two dollars, and I think the Fishermen should be at liberty to fish in Eagle, until further should any thing happen. Eagle is quite a distance from here, and I cannot be there, as I am busy at Dunnville. Keep your own counsel.

Yours truly,
John Kerr
Fishery Overseer, &c.

Hamilton, Sept.

Sir:

12. July 1887. - - -

Please take notice for the court you that my account to: 209. for the Hamilton and Gravel road = see: Wainfleet - fees for the current year of 1887. as follows: -

1. Fourth Judge, court fees. - For, court in account of fees for the first two months in office, court of Chancery, - in all $30.00

2. Second County Judge, For court in account of fees for first three months while in office, at Toronto, in all - $100.00

Total - $130.00

I have the honor to be. -

&c. -

Your obedient servant. -

The Provincial Treasurer. — Thomas Gibson

Provincial Treasurer. -

Hamilton, Sept. -

Hamilton! Ont.

Sir.- 12. July 1887.---

I attach for your information a telegraph I received from D. Tisdale Esqre M.P.P. for the County of Norfolk.- As you are previously made aware by my report to you of the 28th of June last, the persons, who had not all of them got permits from the Long Point Company.- to fish within their leased limits in Lake Erie, were just as amenable to the law as James L. Duncan was! does not seem to attract any attention whatever from Col: Tisdale; although they are fishing for, caught and killed fish between 6. of the clock on Saturday evening the 18th of June, and 6, of the clock on the following mid-day morning in contravention of the Fisheries Act. James L. Duncan alone out of eleven other persons was singled out to be prosecuted for fishing without a license! while not half close season was taken no notice of!- James L. Duncan, a prescribed man alone; was the only man Otter Chief Coercion- Long point, Lake Erie, preferred a complaint against:-

I am always satisfied with your decisions, because they are just.-- Col: D. Tisdale, M.P.P. is it a fair, reasonable thing of him, as regards other fishermen in the Norfolk Division of Lake Erie, that he would keep mum as to Mr Brooks, before he votes,- and after he votes; for it is very doubtful if Mr Brooks, voted right after all.--

"The Colonel ought not to holler, until he gets out of the wood."----

When I got to Simcoe, on 29th June last, and I went to Messrs Tisdale and Robbs- Office- I saw the

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa! Ont

Hamilton, Sept.

Sir,

12 July 1887.

Pattison for your information a telegram received from Mr Clarke Esqr M.P. for the Township of Hartfort. He says are previously made remarks by my report to you of the 28th ult. Since that time, only that not all of them yet provide you do anything. It just within the clearance limits in which the river port is accessible to the 20th of June. Mr Hanson was does not seem to attract any attention therefore for: Therefore, although they are perhaps further for, very it seems difficult to know if the letter in question reaching the 18th of June, and if the letter in the following month may memory in consideration of the Minister that James C. Hanson takes out of Bloom other persons should not be prosecuted for fishing without license; which satisfied also reason since the letter was notice of: James C. Hanson, a prosecution against also: was the only man Mr Geo. Bennett. Perhaps, the Min. proposed a compromise of:-

Your obedient servant with your observations, &c.

Your faithfully yours, &c.

Geo: Clarke, Esq.

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Geo: Clarke, Esq.

Hamilton, Sept.

Robb, who just told me about your license, issued to James L: Duncan.. Col: Tisdale, whom I enquired for, I was told was away from home.--

Soon after I saw Peter Price, took him to a private room, in the Norfolk Hotel; when he produced to me your license to James L. Duncan.. After I scanned it over, I told Peter the license from you to Duncan, must be respected!- But at the same time, the Duncan license, must be sent down to your Department, to be corrected! Peter hem'd and haw'd and all that: that Snooks- had already got a license for the same grounds; and he Peter had left the license for him with the Light Keeper, at the Point, Long point....

I replied to Peter,- that I heard Snooks license was for Seine fishing; whereas Duncan's license was for gill nets; a Boat license for to catch Sturgeon! I read for Peter, the last sentence of his oath in office, and I advised Peter, to obey the instructions he received; that he should not have hesitated a moment in signing Duncan's license, as it was dated back, 2nd of April last.--

The Deputy Minister, Peter questioned could not issue two licenses for one ground "2 miles Lake frontage".- I said The Deputy could!- but I said Peter, you have no legal right to issue Permits, for to fish Sturgeon gill nets! upon the authority of the President of the Long point Company.- &c

And I told Peter, he nor I,- had no right nor authority for to question what you said or done, we should obey you in all things, &c. &c. &c. And hence I wrote to you my former reports.--

After Peter left me in Simcoe, on the 27th of June last, James L. Duncan, came along, and then I heard all, as reported to you already.-

Well, we just talk to me about your license, issued to James C. Stewart. Yes: Gentlemen, when I enquired for I was told was among your papers.—

Yes sir I am Peter Gill. Just turn to a parcel from in the afterpeak store; when he produced to me your license to James C. Stewart. After I received it on, I told Peter the license you to Stewart, must be forgotten!— But at the same time, the Stewart license, must be sent down to your Department, to be cancelled! Peter didn't our town's all that: that month— two already got a license for the same premises, and he Peter had left the license for him with the night keeper at the last, along point.—

I replied to Peter— that I have already been was for alone fishing; whereas Stewart licence was for pole nets: a boat licence for to carry out=-pose! I told Peter, the last business of his with us office, and I admired Peter, to carry the re=-ductions to received; that to whether not have hesitated a moment in signing Stewart licence, as it was another boat, 2nd of April last.—

The Deputy Minister, Peter questioned under not issue two licences for one present 2 miles apart pantoge?— I said the Deputy under!— but I said Peter, you have no legal right to issue Stewart, for it just through pole nets! upon the authority of the President of the along point temporary.—

But I told Peter, to no I had no right you authority for to question what you said or done, you should carry you in our things, &c. &c. that time I wrote to you very Honour report.—

After Peter left me in Stewart, on the 27th of June last, James C. Stewart, came along, and then I found out, of report to you already.—

After the receipt of your decision, in the James L. Duncan case, - I took the same along with me, and when I was on Long point, the other day, I read your decision over to Peter, and explained it to him, and when I got to Port Dover, that night, I wrote Peter as follows: and I enclosed the same to Duncan, to be delivered at once, and I may say Peter Ouse, requested I would give James L. Duncan, - the order, and I done so: thus;

Copy, -

My dear Sir, - Hamilton, Ont. 6. July 1887.

Having read over to you the correspondence I received from the Deputy Minister of Fisheries, Ottawa, in the James L. Duncan case; nothing remains now for you and I, to do, but carry the same in to effect. - I therefore by the power vested in me by the Deputy Minister, of Fisheries, direct you to govern yourself accordingly. - - - Thus: -

You will therefore please on receipt of this direct, Cameron Rice to return Duncans boat, nets and money realized from the sale of the fish, and the amended license herewith after countersigning it. I have myself delivered to Duncan! - I sent the fines by Mail to Forrestville to Duncans address!

Peter Ouse Esqre Yours faithfully, -
St. Williams, - Ont. - John Wise - Pro.

I have since received a Post Card, from James L. Duncan, - stating that he has got back from Peter Ouse - his boat, nets, and all of his fish - - - that will do respect. -

I have the Honor to be,
Sir, -
Your Obedient Servant, -
John Wise, Pro. -

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J. W. Ramsey Esqre
Town Banks, — Hamilton! Ont.
Ont. 13. July 1887.—

My dear Ramsey! —

Another week has come and passed! but still you have forgotten your promises made again and again; with no other intention! but to break them: — The 13th of July has come upon us: and you have only paid towards your license for 1887. of $35.00 of out of $100.. I am greatly afraid that by orders from the Fisheries department Ottawa: your fishing in Lake Erie; will cease and for ever! — Why not pay up the same as all other fishermen are doing! your obligation to the Fisheries Department seems always to be nothing! some one else is preferred. I warn you in time, you must pay up. I have your license here ready to hand you, when you do so: not sooner! —

Yours, V. — John W. Ramsey P.O. —

Hamilton! Ont.
13. July 1887.—

My dear Brother Allen, —

I am under orders for Southampton.. I will be over to see your friend Mr. Mathews at O. — for it is at his request I am going up to visit the Saugeen River....

What shall I say to him in your behalf. — I was in Toronto, on last Wednesday, on friend John Davis. Did he or, rode down there with me! — he told me you were at the fish shanty on last saturday enquiring for me: and that you had all things fixed, for to go to Wiarton again next week. I was at Long point, Lake Erie, recently, and there seems to be, just as they please... anything goes on right with me; and with kind regards, —

Yours fraternally, —
John S. Allen Esqre — John W. Ramsey —
Mt. Dover, — Ont.! P.O. —

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[illegible] 13. July 1837.

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Hamilton! Ont.

My dear Frank! — 18. July 1887.—

It is so long since I heard from you, I thought I would drop you a line and enquire how you are getting on. — I was on long point last week, and found Peter, had got a house for Mrs. Brook, for the boys job, on ground between the old and new dept. — Lake Erie! Bill Brooks. has become quite a favourite with Peter Rice. and Col. Tisdale, how Brooks accomplished it I cannot say! — I hope your feeling as good this season. — Kindly remember me to your wife, — I am off to Lake Huron, next week, on my return have again, I will come up and see you off. Kindly remember me to Brown and Mother Brooks. — they might have as getting better if you had agreed to my terms. — you see my you heard from me. — I am well. —

Met with Kind and warm regards to you and your wife; believe me as usual,

Your old friend! — John H. Kerr.

P.S.

To Frank Brooks Esq. Barrister, Brantford, Ont. —

Hamilton! Ont.

18. July 1887.—

My dear brother Freemason! —

In the name of the Grand Architect of the Universe: and of St. Holy Apostle John!!! what has happened you not to write from you since I enquired that you on the spot: or is the present others from doing it! when most likely you and my friends John Rice, would have to prove your mettle. I hope you are all well: Kindly remember me to your father: Mayor Lillico! Tell John Rice he

about your Lincoln stamp, I will see have it, as soon as possible. — The Department, Ottawa, has been making enquiries. — Well, Kind and warm regards to you and yours, — believe me as usual. — Yours fraternally. —

John H. Kerr. —

Sidney Crosby

Fraternally,

John Lillico Jr.

Chas. Stanley.

Ont. —

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[illegible] 18. July 1697.

It is so long since I have had any
letter from you, that I am [illegible]
have you no patience or. I am so very [illegible]
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Hamilton, Ont. –
13. July 1887. –

Sir. –

With reference to my application to you of the 30th May last; see No: 2. – my Messrs George Leslie, Jr., Henry Callander, John McLeod, and David Wagstaff, – of Leslie! –

For a seine license to fish 120 yards long of a seine, in Lake Ontario, fronting on the strip of land in front of Leslieville, commencing at the gap; and running east, thereon in the direction of Stoney: for a distance of one mile. –

The amount is to be same as last year! $5.00.

I attach a letter I received from Mr George Leslie Jr. yesterday. – I strongly recommend that you will be pleased to grant this license. –

There is no obstacle in the way. – They mostly fish occasionally for their own table. –

Last year Overseer Wm Johnson, of Toronto, – seized their small seine to found without his present, lying drying on the beach, but they regained it again! They are all respectable men. – I recommend that you will be pleased to grant this license. –

I have the Honor to be,
Sir. –
Your Obedient Servant. –
John Wise
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries, –
Ottawa, Ont. –

Hamilton, Sept.

Sir,

13 July 1887.

With reference to my application to you of the 30th ult. I am obliged to inform Messrs Jennings Beale & Henry Bellhouse, John Clarke, and Thomas Hughes of Beale,

That a house having to pass 120 yards along a house in Beale Gardens fronting on the entry of land in front of Bellevue, commencing at the gate; and leaving that thoroughfare on the direction of alongway; for a distance of one mile.

The amount is to be done as best you can.

Attached a letter I received from the Jennings Beale & Partners, I strongly recommend that you will be present the house.

There is no obstacle in the way, that you shall not be reasonably for their own trouble.

Lest you Gentlemen Messrs Johnson & Clarke have, I hope this cause there to be positive with the present laying wrongs on the road but they responsible as again. Hoping you will be reasonable.

I remain, I recommend that you will be present the house.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

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Memo: for S. P. Bennet Esqre.
Fisheries Department. –
Ottawa! – Oct.

Your Model of Rodgers Fishway received today. – It is not as good a Model as the one I had at Gordon's Mills down, Saugeen River. –

I will require 10 Printed Notices in duplicate – for to serve on the Dam owners. I can fill them in myself. – I hope to make a good job of each fishway. –

The Owner of the Black Creek Mills – and dam – is Bankrupt. – The Bank holds the property. – I'll have to – for to assume Bank with Notice, when I learn more particulars. – I shall start for Southampton – on next Monday morning. – Bank again quickly – then off – to River Thames. – –

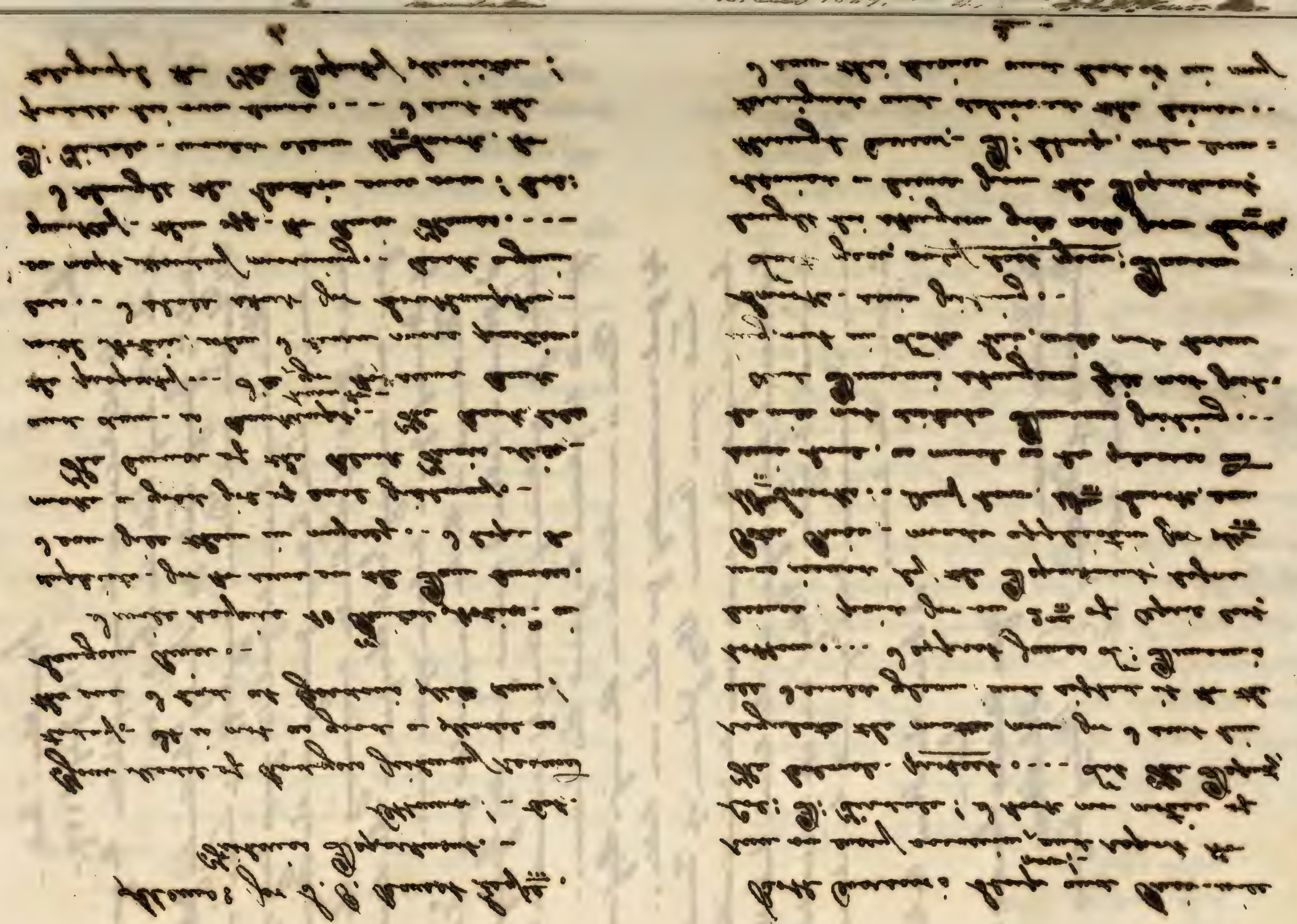
I thought the Bailiff once over! Col: D: Tindale – would allow Mr Smith, to paddle his own canoe. – – I sent the telegraph to The Deputy Minister!

Both Overseer's Sharp and Price will run on every occasion now! – and report to Col: D: Tindale! I took no notice of The Colonels protest. – – Let The Deputy regulate the matter now for I sent him all I could glean; and sifted it to the bottom. – – I expect James L: Dumond's licence – paid for on 2nd of April last, was issued by the Department, before Peter Price – made application for Mr Smith. – Deny how, Mr Smith, can serve home, as much as he pleases – he will not disturb Dumond fishing. – –

And Dumond's stargeon fish net fishing, set in Lake Huron, will not harm Smith's – serve fishing. –

Last year, only last year; Dumond bought his stargeon fish nets from Smith, obtained a licence from the Department, through Overseer – D: Sharp, who countersigned and delivered the licence. –

I saw this licence and had it in my



possession for several days! but I re-
turned it to Duncan again! - - -

Last year, I told Peter Shire, he was in
charge of the Fisheries of Long point, and I
advised him to take that portion of Long
point, between the Old and new cut into
his care and protection! well it appears
Peter done so, but as I hand not before
he saw Col: Tisdale; and was advised by
him also to do so! - - His being done it
remained so until this year; when James
Barker, who had a licence for the fish &
Pound nets, - in Lake Erie, west of the Old
Cut, got himself in the debt and difficul-
ties, and was forced to sell out. - - his ne-
tt, and 2, pound nets, - Mr. Henry I have
bought Barkers vessel, - and Mr. Henry
Swan, - bought Barkers 2, Pound nets. -
It was a terrible mean trick for Smith,
after he sold out his bourgeon gill nets
to Duncan - to try and deprive Duncan
of the fishing ground, upon the recom-

mendation of Governor Shire, - and his re-
"plevin bond: Tisdale - pte. C. - for the deprive
"Duncan - of the ground he had bought the
"gill nets: for the fish upon: !"

I believe I have sifted the matter to
bottom for you: James Wilkie, the
Guardian at Port Rowan - under Sharp,
whom I met on Long point, tolde
me some things - and amongst them,
the sale of Barker's 2 Pound
nets, - to Henry Swan, - of Port Burwell. -

I have not more to tell you; I
not Jim Wilkie, as he is commonly called,
he is a Carpenter by Trade - and was
working for the Long point boys - when I
got there, and it being the hour of dinner
was not long in communicating to me the
News of the day. -

You can communicate this letter to the
Deputy. - It is mostly given already in
my official reports to him.

Hamilton, Ont.
15, July 1887.

Yours respectfully, -
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[illegible] for human days! but I do
[illegible] it [illegible] again! - - -
[illegible] you, I take [illegible] this. [illegible]
[illegible] of the [illegible] of [illegible] point, and I
[illegible] him it [illegible] that portion of [illegible]
point between the [illegible] and [illegible]
his own and [illegible]! [illegible] it appears
[illegible] done so but as I have not [illegible]
it [illegible]! [illegible]; and [illegible] [illegible]
him [illegible] he [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]; [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible], [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
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[illegible]

Memo: for S. O. Ernest Lafleur
Fisheries Department:-
Ottawa, Ont:-

Your letter regarding Duncan received! I will do that....

The fact is Peter Clair has had money with Duncan - that he will never give an Long point. Duncan lost his money and now hangs a mystery.... Ferris told me this story! - Now about Duncan, except the day I saw him at Simcoe. - I never met him before and never since. Peter reported to me that he found 26 sturgeon in Duncans - gill nets, when he made the seizure! Walter H. Ferris told me Peter Clair got 81 - sturgeon in Duncans gill nets, instead of 26, - as he reported to me, and that he gave 5 of them to Thomas Easterbrook, who assisted him to make the seizure.... I am frequently asking

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to disbelieve a good many things I hear; and this is one of them!. You say Clair and Tisdale are doing all they can to prove the man is a rogue!!! I dont suppose either of them dare say this in public!. Peter Clair. himself told me. before I decided the course I would pursue - that he took 8 sturgeon, out of the lot caught for himself!. And no qualm of conscience seems to trouble Peter.-

Continue Duncan's license for the gill for sturgeon, in Lake Erie between the old and new lists, - and Peter Clair. loses his job and some money. - I told you a short time ago Col: Tisdale. would meddle all the time. in Long Point matters, - and so it has come to pass.... Whatever you & the Deputy Minister do in the case. I shall be satisfied!!. At the same time the poor man should be allowed to make an honest living under licence by fishing! and dont you thy friends think so too!.-

2. Yours respectfully:- [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Private.

Hamilton! Ont. –

17. July 1887. –

My dear Mr Emery. –

Your Kind favour of 15th was received by me on last night, about 11, – p. m. – I was in bed – dozing – got up and read it twice over before I dropped over to sleep! – I am greatly obliged to you for your good and Kind advice! – I only feel tired when I sit down and write letters. –

You advise me not to travel much in this hot weather, except duty calls me, I dont stir out. – But then I may as well tell you I travelled 2,403 miles, during the quarter ending 30th of June last, and during the quarter ending 31st of March last I got over 2,148 miles. – I rest my Knee in the Railway car, when travelling! –

I intended coming to Port Rowan, some short time since, but instead the Department sent me to Long point, Lake Erie. It appears Peter Grice – not having exactly

towed the mark – was reported to the Deputy Minister, Department of Fisheries. – then Colonel Tisdale M. P. – a mighty man of valour! where blood is thicker than water, must interfere!! for his Uncle – Peter Grice.

And a poor man who got a licence for to fish on that ground Peter refused to give you! – they represent to the Fishery Department as a Rogue: when all other things failed: and sure the Col: wrote me a Protest. Yes – I protest against James Dunkin receiving a licence to fish on a ground I recommended Mr. Snook, – to get – Ain telegraphing Tilton. J. W. Kerr, Fishery Inspector } D. Tisdale. –

Hamilton! –

The licence came direct to me from the Department, with orders for me to countersign and deliver! and this was after Sharpe had passed Notice, to sign this licence – and set it back, – and Peter Grice – refused to countersign it, – because I suppose Col: D. Tisdale – told them not to do it! – –

Tuesday 29th

Hamilton! Out –

17 July 1887 –

My dear old Jenny! –

Your kind favour of 15th was received by me on last night about 11 – p.m. I was in bed – sleeping – got up and read it twice over before I ventured to sleep! – I am greatly obliged to you for your good and kind advice! I really feel that when I sit down and write letters – You advise me not to repeat such letters this hot weather, except only to tell me, I don't care and – But then I may go more till you I travelled 2,073 miles, leaving the quarter ending 30th of June last – out during the quarter ending 31st of March last – I get over 4,146 miles – I must rest there in the Country for rather troubling! –

I intended coming to Cut Thorpe some time since, but without the Deputy – must bear me in long point clerk Sir. It appears Cut Thorpe – not having exactly

honour the mark. was referred to the Deputy Minister, Department of Stations – Then referred Tuesday, 12 – I really was of values: when I have to draw the matter must undergo !! for his benefit – Cut Thorpe –

Once a year was wrote get a house for it – that pressure Cut Thorpe to give you – any response to the Acting Department so – Lazy: when all other things yield! but one the lot: wrote me a Letter Thus – I pre- tat against James Martin receiving a house it just on a general recommendation the – he got – Our telegraphing Tilley – Yours, Acting Deputy, C. Tupper –

Hamilton! –

It hence seem circuit to me from the Department with return for me to entering and delivery! but this was often thing to – Great Thing. It may this house – contract it back – and Cut Thorpe – Represent to – Constituency of – Hence I suppose the Tupper – Tupper then not to do it! – –

Case in the matter is now before the Deputy Minister! when at Long point on last wednesday a week ago; I heard Cline of Isaac Backus - Round Hetto, - was out on Sacamiers - Lake fishing ground: and that Swan - had to go down there and arrange it with him. - -

I was instructed to sift the Long point to the bottom: - I dear so! -

About the white fish! - When I examined the stalls - in the Fish Market - London, - I found a white fish for a pound weight, and several ¾ lbs of a pound; exposed for sale. - Prior to this - Peter McLean, the Coroner at London - had reported Price, and Ellison, - of St. Stanley - for catching these small white fish: - and to make things doubly sure! McLean got the four fish dealers - to back him up and corroborate him in a joint report to the Minister. - These reports were sent to me with orders to inquire into the matter. - I done so! -

By going first to the Fish dealers stalls - at London: and weighing the smallest fish - I found exhibited for sale: and I found fish there for a pound and ¾ of a Pound exhibited for sale. - Took a statement from each Dealer, from whom he bought these small white fish: and having got from them the names of Price, and Ellison of Port Stanley. - I went there - charged them - before myself with fishing for catching and selling the young of White fish; in contravention of the Fisheries Act. - Refer to sub section 3. of section 13 of the Fisheries Act. -

Price and Ellison, admitted the offence, and signed it! They Pleaded ignorance of the Law! read section 16. of the Fisheries Act. - I fined John Price, - $20. without costs, - and 20 days in St. Thomas Jail in case of non payment of fine! - and I fined John Ellison $10. in a like way. - And to stop the thing in future, I considered

Due to the matter is now begun
the Plaintiff alleaged, when at divers times
in that mentioned & mark ago, I had
bin of divers Barties Chaunt plate, one
at ye Chamber, then standing ground:
and that then, that he ye same Thing
and answer it with him. — —

I now instructs the jury the divers Pounds
the Defendant: — I now ye.! —

Chaunt the white pail! — Which I exposed
the stalls in the Bull yesterday, Gentlemen. I
found a white pail to a pound weight:
and removed the ye pound; exposed
for sale. — When he this. Then the Plaintiff
the lower at divers. but exposed Bin
and Chaun, of the Gentlemen, for retaining
this small white pail: and he made
things standing and Pounds for the
pail stolen. He took his up and
Constructed him in a great rage to
the plaintiff. — Then exposed and
he was with where he exposed into the

market. — I then ye!

My young Boy at the Bull stolen them.
at divers: and suspecting the smallest pail — I
found exhibited for sale; and I found
this to a pound and ½ of a Chaunt of =
hibited for sale. — Then a servant from
and Chaun, from whom he bought this
small white pail: and having got from the
the number of Bins, and Chaun of that
Gentlemen. I took this — Chaunt
regularly with putting for retaining one small
the pound of white pail; in contravention of
the Statutes Act. — Upon the said section 3.
of section 13 of the Statutes Act. —

Then and Bins, constitute the opinion
and judgment it: Mr. Chaunt judgment of
the Bin; I now section 13 of the Statutes
Act. — I point the Bin. — He without
such. and so says in the Bins Jury is
one of our judgment of Bin! — and I find
the Bins of in a fine one. — but he
say the thing in Pounds, I mentioned

a warning should be given; and as I understand that if they repeated the offence, their licence should be cancelled !!.-
I then returned to London and I fined each of the Fish dealers, £20. each, without costs, they pleaded ignorance of the Law !!-
I then recommended that the fines should be remitted as a guarantee for future good behaviour, which was approved of, by the Deputy Minister! and there: you have it all.-
Now as regards Commercial Union! it simply means Conception to the United States, and this I am always opposed to, no matter what innocent name it comes out under; or by whom it is brought out.-

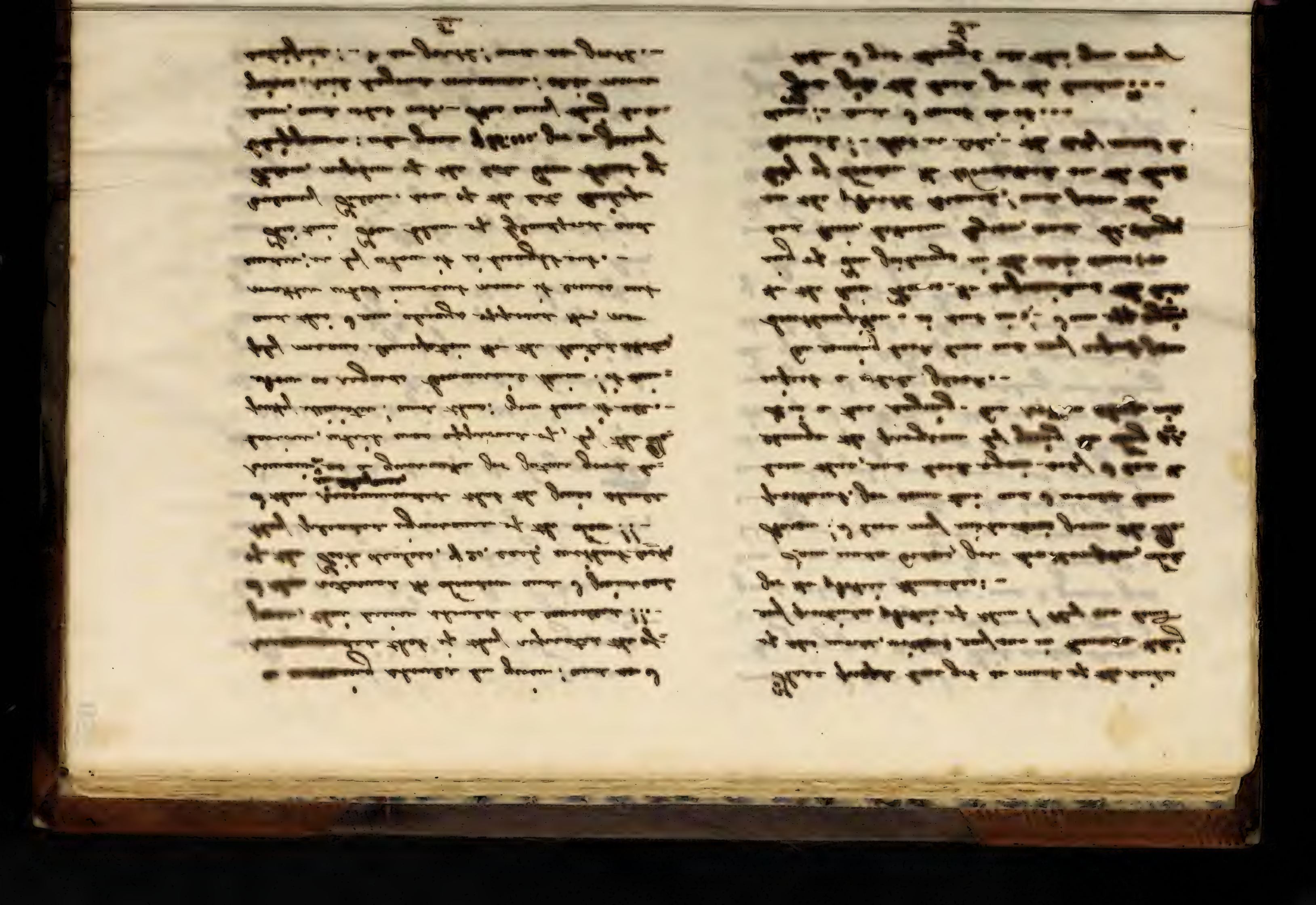
This time Jem Blow of Glandford and Anthony Fidler, son of the late Bishop Fidler, nephew of the late Tom Hunt of Shippagan: who gave £10.00. for a journey home, and what not.- Was only day before yesterday, said he was a man; this man satisfies!..- I am gone! and so goth..-

These people have got so much of the nature of this matter, without reason in human thing and particular photo of them! they are done for the photo themselves:-

I am under orders, for Southampton, Lake Huron! I have my instructions from the Department, for some time and I must be there, and back again early I have to change the program by going to Lake Huron a new saying. Our not so easy as expect a whole Float..-

On coming back home we may expect from Southampton. is not in!.- I am off again to the two Rivers to superintend the driving of the pickings in the state of Maine, between Bryan, and St. Croix on the North Branch! and from the City of London the Woodstock on the Dead Branch!.- Not in Ottawa.- the City must be done: in one I must do it...

Joe gets the boat for the London?..-
the I get charge on this for my



expect me soon... As soon as I commence out get right to work, I will come down and see you all... I am just so provoked lately, than I was when you last saw me:- Mr. Pt. Hawn, the Engineer on the Hawn at London - has the assist me...

I am glad to learn by your letter, that you are all well. I am glad to hear you Mrs. Kerr and my family are enjoying a visit from Henry.. As for myself, I am daily improving and I hope sincerely I may get well altogether.... Kindly remember me to your Henry, and to my kind friends - your children!- I have had to write you a plain letter... Keep the children to the sunday school, - and to sing in the blood of England Blair! you are just a man after my own heart.- I am glad to know the fishing is so good... The Trout are very numerous in the upper part of Lake Erie..

But with my warm regards to you and all. Wm. Glenny Esq. Robinson Merchant. Ct. Burwell, } Yours faithfully.. John W. Kerr M.D.

Hamilton! Ont.-
29. July 1887.-

My dear Woolland!

On receipt will you be pleased to send me your license fee of 10.00 cf. for this current year.-

Please let me know the length of your seine in yards.-

And the number of yards of Gill nets of the different Kinds - running them; you are fishing and intend to fish during this current year, in Lake Ontario; fronting on the County of Peel.-

With kind regards to you and yours! believe me!-

Yours faithfully.-

Mr. B. Woolland Esq. } John W. Kerr.
Port Credit. } Fishery Overseer.
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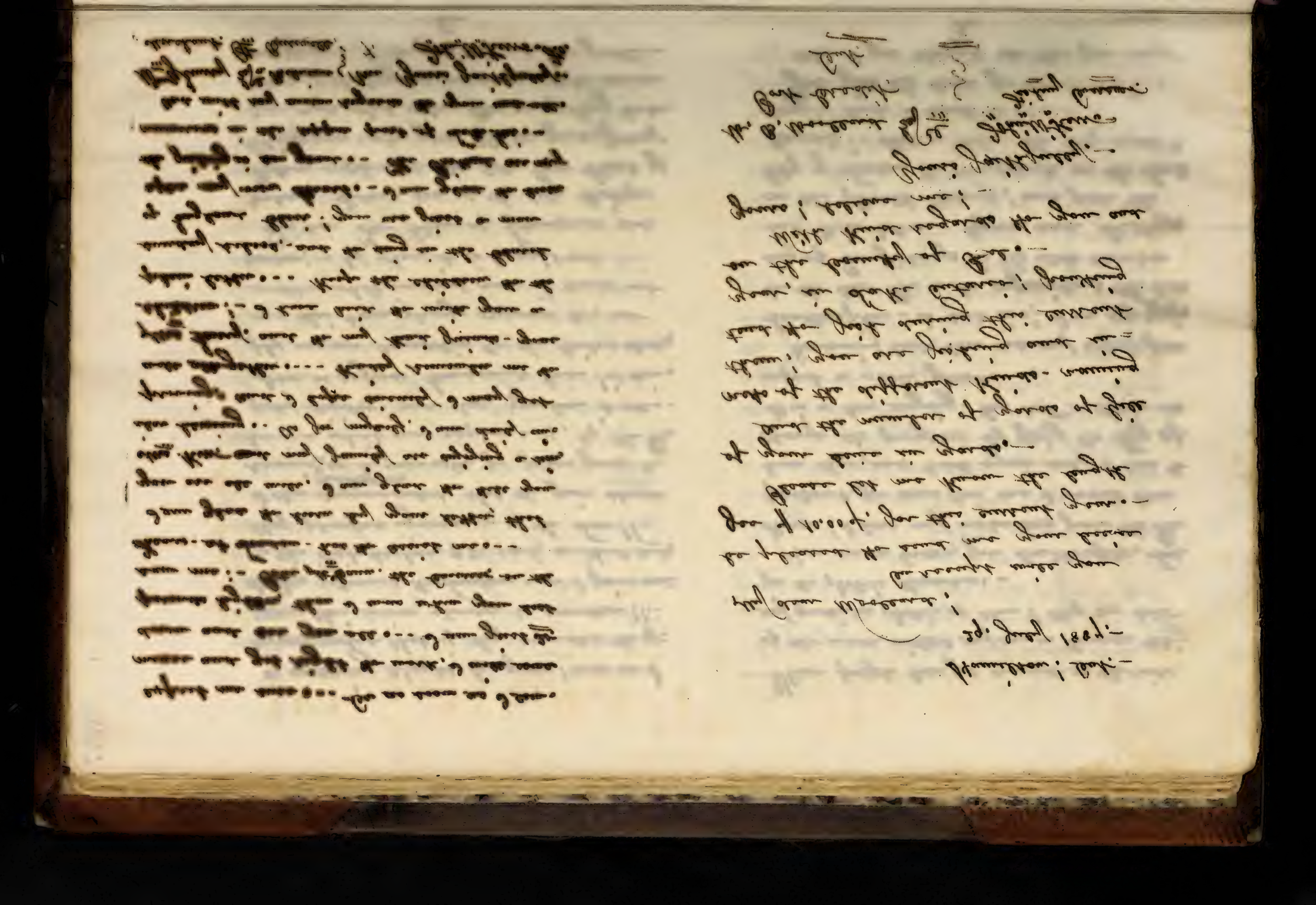

Hamilton C.W. Sept. -
12 July 1847. -

Sir, -

I am in receipt of Copy of Frank Jackson's letter of 21st of June last, complaining to "The Honble the Minister! - "Of not being allowed to set the "number of Pound Nets, - he wanted." -

Copy referred to me on the 16th instant. -

In reply I have to report that I advised, Lawrence, D. Sharp, in whose Division of Lake Erie, fishing is the Township of Naughton; Frank Jackson fishes: for to recommend him for a licence to fish 5 pounds during this current year! the same as I had done for Lyons Young & Coy. - Port Burwell! Brown and Lacey, - and Hyde & Lacey and Coy: - of Port Burwell: because of the serious losses they suffered in the loss of Pounds nets, - in that violent storm of October 14th 1846. - I even recommended Frank Jackson, for a fifth pound: because I considered his claim in that respect, was as worthy of your consideration; as those other persons living and fishing in the Legin Division of Lake Erie: whom I had recommended, and they obtained an additional pound net each, in their licences for this current year. - - -

On this matter as now referred to me, by you. for report, I beg most respectfully to again recommend that you will be pleased to grant Frank Jackson, a licence for to fish an additional Pound net, during this current year, in Lake Erie, fishing in the Township of Naughton, between Lots 1. and 16 inclusive. - To the Honble the Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries. -
Ottawa; C.W.

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Hamilton: Sept.

Sir,

18 July 1887.

I am in receipt of your of March fourteen letter of 21st of June last enclosing to the Hon. the Minister: "It not being allowed to act as member of Constable, he resigned."

Your reference to me as the 16th instant, I reply I have to report that Hennessey, Sergt. Alley in undue division of cattle in portion to the township of Hungerford, Short Horn Bulls: for to recommend him for a license to sell spirituous liquors within one half year: the reason so I have given for his being refused. Not there: There are many other reasons why he should not be licensed: because of the serious loss they met with in the loss of the mail in that neighbourhood of Carlisle in 1886. I am recommend that Hennessey for a first class licensed: because he is also in that respect, one of worthy of your consideration: as there other persons living and residing in the large division of this: when Hennessey and they adjoining on constitutional grounds in this licence for that district.

Hamilton: Sept.

Department of Justice. — 16

Ottawa: Sept.

East, on the east side of lot No. 16, Great Bend, Township of Stoughton. —

Please refer now to my application, and that for Second Step, licence made to you by me for this current year; on the 21st of March last. Wherein Frank Jackson's name is set forth, by me as an applicant then! for which he asks for now. — We are all friendly to Frank Jackson! as many former reports are testify. — —

No licence was issued thro' me this year for Frank Jackson. — My recommendation of the 21st March last, was not, it appears taken into account by you. — The application for licence made by Lewis D. Sharp, being the licence granted and not mine! which was just and proper: because Frank Jackson, was the strongest backer in Lewis Sharp's Division of Lake Erie, although living in Port Burwell. —

There is abundance of room for another Port. please send me licence I will constrain if you say so, deliver the licence and get the fee $100. —

The other portion of Frank Jackson's letter not being relevant to the subject matter of the enclosed, I send not licence to enter you, I pass it by. — If you think necessary, I can give, please let you in the everything and give you a sweeping report. — — —

Respectfully submitted! —

John Wilkes. —

Fishery Overseer! —

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Memo: for S. C. Bennet Esq.
Fisheries Department. -
Ottawa! -

Your Memo: is received! I did not receive a copy of letter you sent Conner Mallowell, respecting Francis Jackson. - Please send it along now! . .

Frank Jackson's letter received, he gives altogether in Houghton, in Sept. Lieu: who is practising high and tipsy twaddling has taken no notice of poor Frank Jackson. - please refer to my report to the Deputy this day! . . . Sleep, Alex. Chisholm: D. Tisdale, William John Johnson and William Mallowell are all aiming to be great men! with I have no objection . . . Only some how! they never start right. I tell you exactly, how I saw Frank, in good! but he tells his account of Ottawa, - and his 2. Pound note - blamed the girl using this account given in Letter him, pointing on the Township of Wallingford

This winter I saw Carter, I have - told Henry Brown, - of Mr. Burnett. - Brown is a partner, with Henry. . . .

I did hear, in fact Sleep told me he was going to recommend a Town Keeper at Elm Creek, for a licence to fish our ponds. . .

And he would also recommend the Reeve of Houghton - to get a licence for the fish with ponds! and it was told me the Reeve did not fish - and there must be no doubt about Jackson's letter telling some truth. . . .

When Sleep told me last spring, about the licence for the Reeve and Town Keeper, I asked him - if he intended an increase in the Ponds of his division - to enquire it, and give the additional licence to the old fishermen, first of all. . Sleep I may tell you has seldom taken my advice in any thing. I have not seen him nor heard from him since last spring! - but my information is correct in these matters all the same!. I have not seen Frank Jackson,

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since last winter, but at last: Tilden
election I got him to go from Pt. Burnett,
to Fairtailer, County of Fayette, and in-
cast his vote for the Colonel. - Hence
managing to give Frank Jackson another
pound for this year. - I am astonished
he should write against me, as I have
been fighting his battles for him for years,
that when I tell you all anything, you
will agree with me that Frank Jackson
has no cause of complaint against me, as I
always stood up for him against all comers,
E. A. Tiller, of Coffee, my biscuit girl
earter, between Pt. Stanley, - and Fat
Dick; who has jointly with Henry, Rosen-
ana Hackney, - built the Large Ranger at
Pt. Burnett, - I importuned Henry earne-
stly, this morning, so that not a single
stranger nor a girl of my Hire is left
there any more! whereas Frank Jackson
with 8 pound rate at Pt. Burnett 8
years ago! supplied him with a Gy

Boat of a superior quality, - since the
space between Pt. Burnett, and the Tem-
ple, between Bayfield and Houghton, be-
ing too small in space for two 10, -
rate - being only 4 miles in extent for
fishing purposes, - Frank Jackson had
to move his fishing gear - Boats, - in Lake
Erie, to fish on the township of Houghton,
a thing approved of, by all concerned at
the time! and this is the first time, that Frank
Jackson, has complained, and now without
any just cause. - He has only hired 2
men, and should be comfortably off. -
I will find out when the season is over
when I come next to Pt. Burnett. - by
having going into fishing, and my mana-
ging Rosen, Jackson, Henry and Tilden
a respectable fishing Crew, has sprung
up in Pt. Burnett, and this day I am
chief employer in every capacity.
remember, till the Fishing, that otherwise
would be idle for three time, having

nothing whatever to do, only for the Fishers.— Why, Levy, is the life of the place! Frank Jackson,— should have no complaint to lodge against Levy,— nor yet against me! Sharpe is the man Jackson should look to! however, I fear Sharpe will not trouble himself much about Jackson! while I have all the time at Turkey point. Put down, and Pt. Barnwell, assisted Jackson to the best of my abilities, as my official reports to you and the Department, will have shewn you.

I intend sending you copy of my report on Southampton matters,— and am

Your's Respectfully,—

Hamilton, Ont. J. Williams—

10. July 1857. S.O.

P.S.

Levery, caught 185 Sturgeon, in one Night, this year.— So many large fish together at once was worth seeing.— Will you be pleased to send me a copy of Frank Jackson's licence for fishing 4. pound nets this season in Lake Erie, pointing on Stoughton.— The heat is very oppressive up here— I left here on Monday morning last for Pt. Barnwell,— next day on to Pt. Stanley, there home.— P. Nets, taken out washed and repaired, for fall fishing.— I got $125.— on acct. from John Larson Jr. he owes $125,— it will be all right.—

We have had no rain up here for about six weeks,— every thing is withering up.— If Peter Price,— does not, or has not given back the sturgeon gill nets to Slocum,— I will turn up there and see it is done as you suggest. Nothing more of importance to tell you, just at present.— Yours Respectfully,—

J. Williams—

Hamilton! C.W.

21st July 1857.

Sir,-

In obedience to your letter of 27th June last,- I have to report that on yesterday, the 20th of July instant, I visited Mr. George Gordon's Mill, situated on the Saugeen River, at Chippawa Hill,- Southampton! I made careful enquiries about the Fishway, &c.,- and I herein give you the result of the same.-

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I may here answer your questions, fair, square, and above board, as they were answered to me, when I put the questions, to Mr. George Gordon and others.--- Thus:-

1st. Whether the Fishway, is efficient or not.--

In reply. I have to report, that the Fishway, placed under Mr. George Gordon's care and protection as Mill Owner, ever since the same was constructed, in accordance with Roger's Model, is in every way efficient, and is in good working order, it is quite sufficient still for the purposes for which it was originally intended when constructed.-

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2nd. If it has been kept open during the spring run of fish.---

In answer to this question! my reply is Yes:- I may candidly report to you, that Mr. George Gordon, is remarkable for the care and attention he bestows on the fishway.- He opened it last spring, upon the ice cleared out, on the fish had made their appearance in the River, from

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa! C.W.

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Hamilton, 1st Sept.

Sir,

21st July 1857.

In acknowledging the receipt of your letter of 27th June last, I have to report that on your instructions, the 20th of July instant, I visited the Passage Gravelpits situated on the Ballycorkan Bank, at Ballymacoda, Cork Harbour, & measured carefully about the 6th Inst. & I herein give the result of the same.

I found here another open gravel pit, very, upper and other lower, as I had were measured by me, when I put the question, to Mr. Passage Gravelpits and others. Thus:

1st Whether the Gravel is sufficient or not.

In reply, I have to report that the Gravel, placed under Mr. Passage Gravelpits are most productive as well lower, lower quality, the same measured, in a corresponding with Dogger's Method, is in every way sufficient, and is in good working order, it is quite sufficient for the purposes for which it was required, & lower when measured.

2nd If it has been kept open during the year of last.

In answer to this question I reply as follows:

I found considerable repairs to your slat the Passage Gravelpits, is somewhat for the same and attention to bottom or the gravel. The opinion is that opening lower the bank and not on the land the results than appearance in the lower, from

The Commissioners
Department of Fisheries.

Hamilton, 1st Sept.

Lake Huron. - And the Fishway, has been kept open, from spring during the time of fish, until freezing commences in the fall! when Mr. Gordon shuts it down. - - -

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3rd. Whether any fish have gone up during the present and past season. - -

I may here report to you: - That Mr. Gordon is fully persuaded they have, and a neighbour of his - Mr. Mac-Vittie, in company with Mr. Gordon, one day during the latter part of last spring, saw some fish in the tail race above the Fishway: that had evidently gone through the Fishway up there.

Mr. Gordon, told me that last year he was engaged with two brothers named Wm. and Thomas Baker, - repairing the Dam, which is about 200 yards, above the fishway, but in the main River, at the mouth of the Mill race; they observed both Suckers, and Mullets, were very numerous. - -

These two men killed of these fish, then, with shovels, were by them at the time shovelling sand and gravel on the bank, or upper side of the Dam, upwards of a dozen of large mullet and suckers. These fish evidently could not get there, except through the Fishway. - - -

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4. If so, which kinds and particular numbers. - - - In reply, I have to report to you: Mr. Gordon, states: Suckers, Mullets, Bass, Pike, Sturgeons, and Herrings were numerous last season above the Dam, and up the

[illegible] Mr. - Dear Sir Yesterday I received your favour informing me of your safe passage through Gibraltar & [illegible] Mr. Brooks [illegible] & [illegible] - - -

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3rd. Whether any fort have been erected during the present war I cannot answer.

I may be expected to say: - That all Governors in British possessions should have, and a copy thereof be - the Adjutant General, or commanding officer of the Garrison, are also directing the latter part of last spring some account of it - which was before the Parliament: that have accordingly been transmitted to the Colonies.

Mr. Brooks, tells me that last [illegible] supposes would be twelve months since Thomas Clarke, - Surveying the Gaspe, reached in about 300 miles, above the Bathurst, but in the main River, at the mouth of the [illegible]; they observed both Canoes, and Wigwams, were very numerous. - - -

There are some Indians of three Bands, with a Chief, living, near by them at the time [illegible] [illegible] and spread on the Coast, or by the [illegible] of the Gaspe, [illegible] of a [illegible] large [illegible] and [illegible]. There [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] not yet [illegible], except [illegible] the Bathurst. - - -

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4th. If a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] - - - [illegible] I have to report to you: Mr. Brooks, [illegible]: [illegible], [illegible], [illegible], [illegible], and [illegible] were numerous, on [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible]

River further... He conversed with several persons, who caught the fish, - more especially Pike....

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5. Whether fish are at present more abundant above the Dam, - than they were before.

From the reports given to me by Mr. Gordon, who has conversed with several of the people living on the Langen River above the Dam, and who constantly fish and angle during the fishing season of each year, there is every reason to believe they are.--

For that they never caught so many fish before for several years....

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6. If no fish have gone up this fishway, what means you would suggest for restocking of the Langen River above Jordan's Mills dam?...

I have to report, it is quite evident, the same kinds of fish that frequented, during former years past, during the spring time; are now coming back again... I heard of speckled trout being caught this season above and below the Dam....

I observed on the 20th instant, large quantities of small fry feeding about in the pitch Pool above the fishway, apparently from their diminutive size, showing they were, or had been recently hatched out... Evidently hatched out in the Langen River above the Fishway... The parent fish having ascended the stream this spring through the fishway, for the purpose of spawning in

Inner Parliament. The commons with several persons, who sought the Parl. more extraordinary Bills. - - -

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5. Whether Parl. are at present more colourable than those the Commy. then had were before.

When the reports given it was by the Speaker, who the commons with several of the people joining on the Lungers then called the Commy. and who constantly Parl. not so. yet running the Parliament because of great opinion there is every reason to believe they are. - For that they never sought to record Parl. before for several years. - -

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6. If no Parl. have been up this Parliament, what means you would suggest for establishing of the Lungers then called Speaker Commy. - - -

I have to report, it is quite evident the cause Ends of Parl. that frequentat. Lungers Commy. were Parl. running the opinion this: are - - running Parl. open. - - I cannot of opinion that being sought this cause called Lungers the Commy. - - -

I conceive on the 22nd instant Lungers petition of several Pty Parliament called on the Lungers then called the Parliament, appointed for that Commy. Lungers, allowing they were, or had the usually Lordship out. - - Constantly Lordship and on the Lungers then called the Commy. - - The present Parl. running commons called Lungers Commy. of the Parl. commons of opinion

increasing their species. - - These fry from their size and appearance, could not by any possibility, go up the rapid run of water coming down through the fishway to the place in the Mill Race, above! hence they were evidently hatched out in the River above the fishway. - I drew Mr Gordons attention to the fry - and he then pointed out to me a place in the Raceway, where he had recently on two occasions observed similar quantities of fry. - And thus establishing the success of the Fishway. - -

I when I saw them. X

But to make things doubly sure, and have up a greater abundance of fish in the Sangeen River at double quick time. - - For some people grow impatient, and are not satisfied with the workings of nature! the process being looked upon as too slow. - - -

I therefore respectfully recommend that the waters of the Sangeen River, between Walkerton, and Gordons Mill dam; be well stocked next spring, with Pickerel, Bass and speckled trout fry! - And I recommend the same to be continued for one year during the time of the game.

Respectfully submitted. -

I have the Honor, &c &c,
Sir. -
Your Obedient Servant,
J. Hilliker. -
Fishery Overseer.

P.S.

Let the Landowners and Durham Mill owners know - about the stocking this Mill dam in the Sangeen River, for the game. - - -

J. Hilliker. &c.

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Hamilton! Ont. —
23rd July 1887....

Sir, —

I am in receipt of yours of the 16th inst; with regard to Overseer Hallowell stating! — "That "one Dawson is fishing at Toronto Island, under "a permit from Mr. Johnson." — "And to enquire into "the matter and report."...

In reply I have the honor to report! That George Duncan Jr. of Toronto Island, son of Light Keeper there, Mr. George Duncan Sr.! — Pushed off the Island in Lake Ontario, last spring, for Cisco, out in the Lake, on shares for Mr. William Ward; who owned the Boat and Gill nets. — Duncan had no permit from Mr. Wm. Johnson, Johnson was aware of it... Overseer Hallowell has frequently called upon Mr. Ward, for to take out his license for this year, which he declined to do except thro' me. — Now that Overseer Hall[illegible] is informed by you that I have sole co[illegible] and charge over the Fisheries of Toronto Island, I hope to see no more interference on Overseers Hallowell's part....

It was only [illegible] day before yesterday, Wm. Ward and William Montgomery met and talked over and discussed the Cisco fishing in Lake Ontario, off Toronto Island; and they came to the conclusion of applying to you, through me for Boat licenses! to be the same as in days of yore, when Messrs. David Ward, and Patrick Gray, — dead, and George Duncan, Sr. Light Keeper, held the licence of the Toronto Island fisheries, and to take George Duncan, the younger, who is in with them, the Deputy Minister.

Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa, Ont. —

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Hamilton! Sept.

Sir, — 23rd July 1857. —

I am in receipt of yours of the 10th inst: with respect to Brewer Stillwater absconding! — What "one Brewer is pulling at Gravelly island, under "permit from Mr Johnson." — Must be enquired into "the matter and report." —

In reply I have the honor to report: That George Brewer Jr of Gravelly Island, son of a slight keeper there, Mr George Brewer Sr: — pushed off the island in a dark night, last spring for Toronto, out in the lake, or rather for the New World: into owned the boat and left each. — Brewer had no permit from Mr M. Johnson, Stillwater was aware of it. — Brewer Stillwater has frequently called upon Mr Ward, for to let out his licence for this year, intend he absolutely to do keep this one. — Now that Brewer Stillwater is in arrear by you that I have sold for and charge over the District area of Gravelly Island, I hope to see no more interference on Brewer Stillwalle part. —

I was only the day before yesterday, Mr Ward and William Allingham and went together over and discovered the boys pushing in a dark lantern, off Gravelly Island; and they came to the conclusion of applying to you, through me for boat licence: It is the same as in charge of Geo. Johnson Mr Brewer Sr and Patrick Grady — also and George Brewer, Jr slight keeper, take the licence of the Grove to Island Gravelly, and to take George Brewer, the younger, with in with them.

The Respectfully Minister,

Superintendent of Fisheries.

Ottawa, Sept. —

poor, and a Married man, with five or six children to maintain and support: subject to your consideration and decision....

Cisco's fishing gills off in Lake Ontario in front of Toronto Island, about 16 years ago; by Duncan and Gray, withdrawing from this fishing altogether.- "The fact is, the place wanted rest, and it has had it."

Within the last 3 years, Ciscos on the fishing grounds,- off Toronto Island, in Lake Ontario, are in greater numbers, than they were 22 years ago:- just about the time I was first appointed..

No person named Dawson, has ever fished on Toronto Island; and he could not fish without my knowing it?..

After Duncan & Co. and Gray,- gave up Cisco fishing, the late deceased David Ward, still carried it on during the winter season, as long as he lived: after his death, his son William Ward, still kept up the Cisco fishing....

It was not in 1864, viewed by the fishermen, to be so valuable a source of fishing, as it has now become this day: through the perseverance and industry of our Cisco fishermen, who extend from Toronto, to the Town of Niagara, in Lake Ontario. - When these fish were first caught accidently by George Duncan, in a white fish gill net, he sold them for 50¢ per dozen.... They are much larger now.....

It is right and proper, that you should know all this!- And now in conclusion, I submit the applications of Messrs William Ward, William Montgomery- and George Duncan, Jr. of Toronto Island: for Boat licences, to fish herring and lake gill nets, in Lake Ontario,

poor, and a laborious man, with five or six children to maintain and support. Judge ye your consciences and decide ...

Hence fishing gale off in Cork Harbour in front of Crosshaven, about 14 years ago: his business and livelihood, withdrawing from the fishing altogether. "He had no, the place another boat and it was lost etc."

Within the last 3 years. Hence on the fishing grounds - off Crosshaven, in Cork Harbour, in greater numbers than they were 14 years ago: just about the time I was first appointed. - The persons named Hennessy, Joe and Patrick of Crosshaven, must be found not fishermen but only knowing it ?? -

Peter Hennessy the most ignorant - gives up these fishing, the late deceased Hennessy's father, stated he is closing the winter season, as long as he lives; says his death, his son William, stated that up the Hence fishing ...

It was not in 1884, resisted by the fishermen, if he so subsidise a source of fishing, as it has now lessens this day: through the persecution and industry of our Irish fishermen, who extend from Crosshaven, to the Cove of Cork, again, in Cork Harbour. - When this gale were just long it accidentally by large steamer in a which gale yes not, to enter then for 24 hours ... - that are much larger now. ---

It is big it was proper, that you should know as this! - that now in consideration, I submit the applications of Wm. Hennessy, William Hennessy - and George Hennessy, of Crosshaven; for that reason, to fish fishing and their gale nets, in Cork Harbour,

fronting on Toronto Island, and the City of Toronto, and County of York, during this current year of 1887:- viz:-

1. William Ward, Toronto Island,- An old fisherman!- "For a Boat license to fish 6,000, yards of Herring and Cisco gill nets 2½- and 3" inch mesh extension measure?"-- amount, - $10.00 ct. is included in the Bank draft, No: 251,- herewith. - -

2. William Montgomery,- Toronto Island, an old fisherman! "For a Boat license, the same as last year! amount included in Bank draft. No; 251,- is herewith,"- $5.00 ct.-

Total,- $15.00 ct.-

3. George Duncan, Jr. Toronto Island.- "For a Boat License to fish 3.000, yards of Herring and Cisco gill nets, in Lake Ontario, fronting on Toronto Island, and County of York?"-- The gill nets, to be 2½", and 3" inch mesh, extension measure! the amount is to be only, - - $5.00 ct.-

It is become necessary for the protection of the Toronto Island - fisheries - in Lake Ontario, off Toronto Island: and for the protection of these Cisco and Herring fisheries, now so valuable for to continue these fishermen on fishing as a protection to the fisheries under licenses. - These 3, and no more, for evermore - Amen. - -

Respectfully submitted and recommended.

I Have the Honor to be,

Sir,-

Your Obedient Servant.-

Wm. O'Keefe.-

Fishery Commr.

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Printing on Cheneuth School, and the hiring of Cheneuth and Township of Fort, during the current year of 1887:- Per ⅟. -

1. William Moore, Cheneuth School.- "For one Pitcher-man:- "For a Boat licence to fish 6000 yards of Herring and three gills nets 2½- and 3" mesh respectively measure:" - amount, - $16.00

is included in the Court draft, No: 221.- herewith. - -

2. William Allingham.- Cheneuth School, on one Pitchman: "For a Boat licence, the same as last year: amount included in Court draft, No: 221.- is herewith." $5.00

Total- $15.00

3. George Brown, Jr. Cheneuth School.- "For a Boat licence to fish 3000 yards of Herring and three gills nets, in cloth bottoms, Printing on Cheneuth School, and township of Fort." - "The gills nets, to be 2½" and 3" mesh respectively, measure: the amount is to be only, - - $3.00 -

It is become necessary for the protection of the Cheneuth School - Pitchers - in cloth bottom, off Cheneuth School: and for the protection of these two and Herring Pitchers, now so valuable for to continue these Pitchers, now on fishing as a protection to the fishers as annular licences. - These 3, and no more for answers - Dear. - -

Respectfully submitted and recommended.

I have the Honor to be,

&c. -

Your obedient Servant -

Chief Warden. -

Fishery Overseer. -

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Hamilton! Ont.

My dear Mr. Emery! — 24. July 1887.

In order that you may know one man better in future whom you and I have been kind to! I send you copies of the correspondence, so that you may judge for yourself. — With my warm regards to you and yours! believe me as usual! —

Wm. Y. Emery Esqre. Yours faithfully. — —
Port Burwell, Ont. — John O'Kerr — F.O. —

Honorable Copy. —
The Minister of Fisheries. — Pt. Burwell, 21. June 1887.

Dear Sir

I feel it my duty, as well as privilege, to inform you how I have been so horribly treated, and used here in the fish business. — I, in the first place applied for 4 pounds, east of the pier here, and when I got here, found Mr. Emery, had his net set on my grounds. — — Then Mr. Kerr was sent for, and he drove me below them 2½ miles. — The next year he drove me out of the County altogether. — And then I applied for the grounds from the County line to C. C. Bates. — Mr. Kerr, promised me that there should not be any net set between Bates, and my net. — Now they grant [illegible] to another man for Mr. Emery, while [illegible] his own, and Mr. Beckles (2.) making him (7.) now this one wile make him (8.) if it was a poor man, and wanted [illegible] I should not feel so bad about it, but a man that is rich and has 7 nets now, without it, there is only about 1½ miles between Bates and me. — Please look into this matter and give each man in the business an equal chance. — —

Yours truly, —
Signed. Frank Jackson, —
Port Burwell, —

This letter was only referred to me on the 16. July. instant, by the Deputy Minister for report, stating Frank Jackson! "Complains of not being allowed to set the number of pounds nets he wants". —

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In order that you may see the ingratitude of Frank Jackson, whose position as Pt. Abt fisherman, (Mr.) You and I, understand to perfection . . . Find out who wrote the letter to The Minister - for Frank Jackson for me".

Copy of my report, -

Sir, - Hamilton, Ont. 18. July 1887. -

I am in receipt of Copy of Frank Jackson's letter of 21st of June last complaining to The Hon.ble The Minister! - "Of not being allowed to set the number of Pt. nets - he wanted." -

Copy referred to me on the 16th instant.

In reply I have to report, that I advised, Overseer, - D. Sharp, in whose Division of Lake Erie, fronting on the township of Houghton; - Frank Jackson, fishes, for to recommend him for a license to fish 5 pounds during this current year; the same as I had done for Sylvanus Young and boy, - Port Bruce, - Brown, and Cudney, - and Mr. Emery and boy, - of Port Burwell; because of the serious losses they suffered by the loss and damage of

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of their Pt. nets, in that violent storm of October 14, 1886. - . - I even recommended Frank Jackson, - for a fifth pound, because I considered his claim in that respect, was as worthy of your consideration; as those other persons "fishermen" - living and fishing in the Regin Division of Lake Erie; whom I had recommended and they obtained an additional pound net each, in their licenses for this current year. . . - As this matter is now referred to me - by you for report, I beg most respectfully to again recommend that you will be pleased to grant Frank Jackson, a license for to fish an additional Pt. net, during this current year, in Lake Erie, - fronting on the township of Houghton, between Lots Nos: 1. and 16. inclusive. - As for east, as the east side of lot No: 16. - front Concession of Houghton

Please refer now! to my application, and list for Pt. net licenses made to you by me for this current year: on the 21st of March last, wherein Frank Jackson

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name is set forth, by me as an applicant then! for what he asks for now!. "We are all friendly to Frank Jackson, as many of my former reports will testify."—
No license was issued thro' me this year, for Frank Jackson . . . My recommendation of the 21st ult March last, was not it appears, taken then into account by you. — The application for licenses made by Captain D. Sharp, being the license granted and not mine, which was just and proper; because Frank Jackson was then altogether located in Captain Sharp's Division of Lake Erie, although living in Port Burwell. — There is an abundance of room for another Pound net, please send the first license when you can have 50. for same.
The other portion of Frank Jackson's letter, not being relevant to the subject matter of the additional pound net license he asks for, I pass it by. — If you think necessary, I am prepared to go into everything, and give you a sweeping report. — Respectfully submitted. —
The Deputy Minister, K. C. Whitney, Esq.—

In reply to my report, on Frank Jackson's Complaint, — I received on yesterday, — the following. Copy of answer sent to Mr Frank Jackson, Port Burwell — Out. —

Sir, — Copy! — Ottawa, 22. July 1869.

Having further reference to your letter of the 21st ultimo, in which you complain that you were "horribly used in connection with your fish business" . . . and seeming to imply that Captain Kerr, was the cause of it; I beg to state that such is not the fact.

In March last, when Captain Sharp wrote about the pound net licenses for his division, he said you had applied for 6. pounds, but that he could not recommend you for more than four; the same number you had last year . . . The licence was therefore issued for four pound nets only, in accordance with the Captain's recommendation and practice of this Department to restrict this mode of fishing as much as possible. . .
However, since you state you had made

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name is not given, but we are appreh-
ensive that he will be with us!" The
are also principally to Church Fathers, as many
of our Former reports will testify."
We have been informed that upon the
Church Fathers ... full recommendation of
the 21st allowed but were not it appears,
taken into account by you. - The ap-
plication for licence made by Messrs Blair,
being the licence granted was not mine, which
was just our proper; because Church Fathers
was the altogether better in Licensee Single
Division of Cloth Hall, although living in Cut
Barwell. There is an abundance of room
for another Barber not, please cause that
licence when you can have 35. for same.
The other portion of Church Fathers letter,
not being relevant to the subject matter
of the additional premises not licence is not by
I pass it by. - If you think necessary, then you
please to write anything, we give you a
sympathising report. Respectfully submitted.
H. Superintendent, H. C. Stationery &c.

In reply, to your report, on Church
Fathers - complaint, I received an opinion
- the Petitioning Body of owners but
to use Church Fathers, Cut Barwell - but -
Sir, - Yours, Stamford, 22 July 1887.
Having further reference to your letter of the
24th instant, in which you complain that
you were "Totally absent in connection with
your last licence?" - we cannot recognise it in
your that Licensee then was the cause of it.
I beg to state that such is not the fact.
In answer but when Licensee Shop was
about the premises not licence for the division,
it was you that applied for it, permit,
but that it would not recommend you by
more than you; the same number you had
but you ... The licence was through owner
of you premises only, in accordance with
the Licensing recommendation and practice
of this Department to restrict the number
of public as much as possible. ...
However, since you state you that must

preparations to pick 2 pounds more this season and Commissioner Keen reports there is ample room for one more net on the ground you already occupy, without interfering with anybody: the Department will consent to your putting an additional present. –

The licence has been made out and forwarded to Commissioner Stamp, for counter signature and delivery on payment of the usual fee of $50.00 f. –

I am Sir,

Your Obedient Servant. –

(signed) John Tilton, –

Deputy Minister of Fisheries

Mr Frank Jackson, –
Mr Burwell, –
Ont, –

Now you have Jackson, perhaps Daning in all this wickedness before you! who wrote that letter is no friend of yours nor mine... Where now is my reward for all the kindness that I have done for Jackson – for more than two years... If I only say the word at any time, you know the consequence. – –

Your trusting him money – and keeping him up, from your store wouldn't you nothing. I wonder if Tilton, knows anything about this report Frank Jackson made against me and I – except the tale, pity business, don't tell the answer, I got this at Southampton and Toronto Island; off to London and there on Friday, perhaps when I get the pickings in the state house, – I may have been all Queen of London in charge, cops down from Ottawa, the Mr Clerk and Mr Commissioner. I have just received a letter which compels me to go all over my Division... My Knee and thigh and leg is getting on as well as can be expected... Otherwise I am in good health, sound mind, and no other impediment... Please tell Dan Leidy to come up on one job, I will apply and get up his licence from Ottawa... We are well, hoping you are all enjoying this blessing, believe me, Yours faithfully, –

John Wilkins – Jr.

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Hamilton! Ont.
28. July 1887.—

My dear Scott.

Yours received, send on your money. I will recommend you to receive a licence for the fish another pound net near Point Abino.—

Give me an accurate description of the place you propose to set this second pound net, and then dont move any further until I notify you.

I have been from Home,—just got back.— With Kind regards,—

Wm Scott Esq. Yours faithfully,—
Ridgeway — Ont. D. W. Kerr — F.O.

P.S. See Hunt, and Murdoch, and direct them to send me licence money.
D. W. Kerr — F.O.

Hamilton! Ont.
27. July 1887.—

My dear Peter!—

Your letter of 26th inst. is received: when I saw you at Long point on the 5th instant, I read over for you the instructions I had received in the case of Jas: L. Duncan... And I advised you then to give up to Duncan, the sturgeon gill nets, the Boat, and $6.50 you received for the sale of 26, sturgeon; you had seized belonging to Duncan, for whom a licence was issued and paid for on 2nd of April 1887... I now advise you on receipt of this letter to go at once and restore to Jas: L. Duncan, the gill nets and the $6.50 you received for the fish.. The Boat it appears you already gave to Jas: L. Duncans under

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ڈھاکہ، ضلع
۲۰ جولائی ۱۸۸۲ء

ہمراہ خط گزشتہ
۳۰ جولائی ۱۸۸۲ء کو ۳ بجے شام
کلکٹر صاحب نے مجھ کو بلا کر
دریافت کیا کہ ۱۰ اگست کو جو جلسہ
مدرسہ میں ہونے والا ہے اس میں
تم کیا کرو گے۔ میں نے کہا کہ
میں اس جلسہ میں شریک ہوں گا
اور اس کی کارروائی دیکھوں گا
اور اگر کوئی بات خلاف قانون
ہوئی تو اس کی رپورٹ کروں گا
۳ بجے شام کو میں نے کلکٹر
صاحب کو اس کی رپورٹ کی
اور اس کے بعد ۵ بجے شام
کو کلکٹر صاحب نے مجھ کو
بلا کر کہا کہ تم اس جلسہ
میں شریک نہ ہو۔ میں نے
کہا کہ میں اس جلسہ میں
شریک ہوں گا اور اس کی
رپورٹ کروں گا۔ اس پر
کلکٹر صاحب نے کہا کہ
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جانے۔ میں نے کہا کہ
میں جانتا ہوں۔ اس کے
بعد میں واپس آ گیا۔

ڈھاکہ، ضلع
۲۰ جولائی ۱۸۸۲ء

Dont fail to carry out the orders of the Deputy Minister, Department of Fisheries. - Here is the order addressed to me thus; Copy: -

"You will therefore please "on receipt of this, direct Overseer Bragg "to restore Duncan's boat, nets and 6.50. "cash, the money realized from the sale "of the fish; and deliver the amended li= "cense herewith after countersigning it".

Now I am sure it is very easy for you now to deliver to Duncan all these things, and put a final end to all further litigation. - John Tilton, Esq. Deputy Minister, to Order it, and for the 5th time I advise you, - on receipt that you instantly obey the Order, and give back every thing to Duncan. -

On the 6th of July, instant, they day after I seen you on Long point I sent Jas: L: Duncan, an Order, addressed to you to deliver every thing up and

so end the case! I am sure this was a very simple thing for you to do! - it is not too late for you yet to obey that order. - I always advise you for to obey all orders from the Fisheries department, with promptness. -

On receipt of this letter, give back everything to James L. Duncan, dont fail. - Send with Kind regards to you and yours! — Believe me,

Ever dear Peter.

Yours Sincerely. -

John W. Kerr. -

F.O. -

Peter Price Esqre
St Williams. —
Ont. -

But pail to carry out the orders of the Deputy Minister, Department of Finance. - Here is the order referred to in this letter:-

"You will therefore please in receipt of this, direct Messrs Gregg & Martin Limited that such as the money lending firm the sale of the gift, must deliver the mortgage to Messrs Hammill after securing it."

Now I am sure it is very hard for you now to deliver to Messrs all these things, and put a period and to all further litigation. - If the Minister of Deputy Minister in Ottawa is, and for the 3rd time I endeavor you, in receipt that you immediately deliver the deeds, and you must every thing to Messrs. -

In the 4th of July instant that day after I have you an along point I said for: Messrs. an order referred to you to deliver every thing up and

to such the case! I am sure this was a very simple thing for you to do! - it is not the fate for you yet to carry that order. - I always advise you for to carry all orders from the Finance department with promptness. -

In receipt of this letter, you have everything to James A. Messrs, that you must immediately deliver to Messrs. -

Yours truly,

Peter Hines Esq.
Mr. Hillsborough.
Ont.

Yours sincerely:-
Publicitation:-
J.O. -

[illegible] Ont.—

1887.—

[illegible] on

last meeting from [illegible] River Thames

where I had been [illegible] noon, on Monday last.—

[illegible] Peter McEwan,

[illegible] of the

[illegible] Engineer,

Mr Tracey.— And by an arrangement made

[illegible] we met at Springbank dam, at

[illegible], and we made a

close inspection of the Dam there, at present

under repair, it passes from one side of the

River Thames to the other side.—

[illegible] now to report that "The arrangement

"recently made between The Corporation of The

"City of London: and the people of west

"London: has to be ratified by the Ontario

"Government, Toronto: before the gates, "Waste

"Gates." will be built in this dam."—

And with reference to Byron Dam!—

I have to report that The Corporation of the

City of London, have made arrangements for to

purchase this dam, with a quantity of land

and springs to be added to Spring Bank,

Reservoir, from which the City is supplied

with sparkling pure spring water.—

Engineer Peter McEwan, accompanied me to

Byron Dam— And made a closer inspection of

the premises, than was able to do, before, for the

water was very high then!— At present it is low.—

I beg to report "That on the south side of

The Deputy Minister of

Department of Fisheries,— 1.

Ottawa! Ont.

Lewisburg, Pa.
1881.

Messrs. Hoke & Lawrence Gentlemen:

We have been asked to report on a spring for Union Grove Seminary, Union Co., Pa.

Messrs. Lawrence & Hoke, we proceeded to examine a spring on the premises of Mr. Jacob Hoke, and found it to be a good one, and we think it will be sufficient for the purpose intended.

We also made a careful examination of the building, and we find an arrangement made for the use of a spring-house, or reservoir, under ground, and we made a close inspection of the other side, at present under repair, it passes from one side of the Union Grove to the other side.

We now to report that the arrangement made between the Corporation of the Seminary of Union, and the people of Union, has to be ratified by the Patrons of Government, Union, before the Grove. "Where Grove" will be built in this town.

Due with reference to Union Grove, we have to report that the Corporation of the Seminary of Union, have made arrangements for the purchase the Grove, with a quantity of land and spring to be used for spring house, Seminary, from which the Seminary is supplied with abundant pure spring water.

Lawrence Hoke & Lawrence, accompanied me to Union Grove, and made a close inspection of it, premises, then we also to report, for the water we found at the Grove. It present it is low.

We to report: That on the south side of the Seminary building.

Respectfully yours,
Lawrence & Hoke.

Hon. J. Gulf.

Hamilton. Ont.—

Sir...

28. July 1887.—

I have to report, that I returned home on last evening from London and the River Thames, where I have been since you, on Monday last.—

Accompanied by Overseer Peter McLean, the local officer at London: I put myself in communication with the City of London Engineer, Mr Tracy.— And by an arrangement made between us— we met at Springbank dam, at 9. A. m.— on last Tuesday,— and we made a close inspection of the Dam there, at present under repair, it passes from one side of the River Thames to the other side.—

I beg now to report, that— "The arrangement "recently made between The Corporation of The "City of London; and the people of west "London: has to be ratified by the Ontario "Government, Toronto: before the gates, "Waste "Gates" will be built in this dam".

No— with reference to Byron Dam:—

I have to report that The Corporation of the City of London, have made arrangements for to purchase this dam, with a quantity of land and springs to be added to Spring Bank, Reservoir from which the City is supplied with sparkling pure spring water.—

Overseer Peter McLean accompanied me to Byron Dam:— And I made a closer inspection of the premises, than I was able to do before, for the water was very high then:— Oh, I see it is low.—

I beg to report:— That on the south side of

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,—
Ottawa: Ont.

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Hamilton, Ont.

28 July 1887.

I have to report that I returned home on last evening from London and the River Thames, where I had been since noon, on Monday last, accompanied by Messrs Peter McGlenn, the local engineer at London: I just mentioned in communication with the Lady of London Engineer, Mr Geary. Met by an arrangement made between us - we met at Springbank Park on P. M. on last Monday, and we made a close inspection of the dam there, at present under loan, it passes from one bank of the River Thames to the other bank. -

I beg now to report that the arrangement recently made between the Corporation of the City of London, that the people of West London, have to be received for the Waterworks, Toronto, before the gates, "locks" are to be built in this dam.

Mr [illegible] informed Mr Peter McGlenn, that the Corporation of the City of Toronto made arrangements for to purchase this dam, with a view of their over opening to be added to Spring Bank Reservoir from which the City is supplied with pure spring water. -

Mr Peter McGlenn accompanied me to Mr Dam. But I made a close inspection of the premises, then I was able to report for the water was very high then. - [illegible]

I beg to report that on the south side of the Simply [illegible]

Superintendent of Waterworks.

[illegible]

Byron Dam, there are four waste gates in the flume or head race, by raising one or two of these gates; capacity 4 feet wide each gate, one or two feet high; and everything will be accomplished without building any fishway in Byron Dam!.- I submit and recommend this change for your approval.---

I talked with Mr James Mitchell, Alderman City of London; he is Chairman of the Water Works and to Mr Tracy.- the City of London Engineer, and may state for your information that everything will be done that is required for to carry out your Orders.--

At St Marys, and the Fishways and Dams, which Overseer, Mr Clem, and I visited; everything will come out satisfactory.—

The fishway in the Dam, under the G. W. Railway bridge, is in excellent condition: I examined it carefully and walked up to it.- There is hardly any water in the main stream below the dam at present, it is a substantial fishway.- It requires no repairs at present.---

Black Friars Dam; London Township.-

I saw Mr J. W. Lindsay Proprietor of this Mill; and I conversed with him, and from very serious losses that have befallen him pecuniarly, and by the Big flood in London; and the loss of his eldest son, who died recently,- he told me he is not able to build the fishway.- He is very poor; and Mr Clem, and friends of his so informed me.-- I recommend his case for your consideration!! All the other fishways will receive due and proper attention.-

Respectfully Submitted!- D. Phillips.

Fishery Overseer.

Dear Sir, there are few words gone in the house or land tax, for receiving one, or two of these gates: supposing it just worth half a, or two feet high: and everything will be as equitable without building any fishery in Dear Sir. I submit and recommend this change for your approval. --

I talked with Mr James yesterday. He seems fully of clearer: he is desirous of the latter course. Mr Mr Cleary. The fairly of clearer supposing our only state for your information that everything will be clear that is required for the carry out your orders. --

Mr Mr Allenby, and the gathering our claims, which seems, the yields, and I visited: everything will come out satisfactory. —

The gathering in the claim, was at J. T. Rainey's bridge, in important results: I appointed it carefully and entire up to it. There is hardly any water in the main drain below the claim at present; it is a substantial gathering. It requires no repairs at present. --

Robert Thomas Claim: claims therefore.

I saw Mr J. A. Lumsden: Proprietor of this title: and I conversed with him, and gave my opinion based that have forgotten him frequently and by the big place in claim: and the loss of his client are, with clear reasonably. The total we is not able to hold the gathering. It is very poor; and Mr Claim, and Friends of the is interested are. -- I recommend this case for your consideration: like the other gathering will have also and upper adjoining.

Respectfully submitted! Mr Mullen

Mr Jas Lumsden

Memorandum for S. P. Bennett Esqre.
Fisheries Department.
Ottawa! Oct.-

I have to thank you for your last act of kindness. I wrote out the report at London, on last Monday evening, and I sent it from there to the Deputy Minister... Having gone over the subject of the fishways on the Dams of the Thames, I reported to myself to the Deputy, this day. I dont think there will be much difficulty in getting fishways completed. Messrs Saundry, and Hunt at the City of London are the exceptions....

I dont know what is come over Peter Price, in the Duncan case....

I read over for Peter on the 5th instant the Deputy Ministers division in the case, and I advised Peter Price to carry them out instantly.. This it appears he has not done, for on yesterday, I received a letter from him on the subject....

I wrote Peter again today for him to go and give up the gill nets and $4.50 of the money realized by the sale of the sturgeon found in the gill nets, when he made the seizure.-- The Boat he gave up the day he made the seizure....

On the 6th of this month, I gave Jas: L. Duncan, an order on Overseer Peter Price, for to return the Boat, Nets and Money.- to the said Duncan, and it appears the Deputy Ministers order has been set at nought this fair, for the order was never carried into effect: see letter No: 1.-

But now this case takes a new place: for by a letter marked by me, No: 2,- it appears Peter Price and James L. Duncan - for Mr. Olea Malmer, has been betting that Smoke will get the fishing ground, and that Duncan will get the ground: now you will understand better, how things stand:- It appears the fisheries, have now become a second

Mr. Commissioner Jos. A. C. Hansard Esqr.
Finance Department.

Sir:

I have the honor to your letter of the 7th instant. I would not expect to change — so last January/January, and I want if you also to the Deputy/Minister. — Among your recommendations of the pickerings on the Shore of the Stream I report the Deputy. This day, I don't think there will be much difficulty in getting pickerings completed. The Commissioner was about at the time of closing on the expenditure. — I don't know what is some new Otter Lake in the Stream here. —

I went on for Otter on the 5th instant. The Deputy Minister remains in the same and I endeavor the Lake to carry the work out effectually. — It appears to be not out there, for a yearly, I remember a letter from him on the subject. —

Juvenile Otter appears already to be out going up the pike road over the 4.30 p.m. the usual lodging by the side of the stream. Found in the pike road, when he made the dangers. — The Boat to give up the day he made the dangers. —

On the 6th of this month, I spoke to C. Stream, on Sun on Lawson Otter Lake. He returns the Boat which was allowed to the said Stream, and it appears the Deputy Minister wrote. Too bad at being it this year. For the order was never issued into effect: see letter 4th: 6.

But now this was stopped a new phase: for by a letter received by me 4th: 5. it appears Otter Lake and James C. Stream. So the Chalmers Too bad letting that Boat was got the picking Pressure, and that C. Stream was got the pressure: now you will understand letter, two things about: It appears the picking, have now known a Boat

consideration?? – I dont mean to answer this letter of Mr. Andrew McCall, of St. Williams. – I submit the case for your advice. I may tell you that when in London just recently – Sir Edward Harris – President of the Long point Company – told me he would not more such fishing on Long point as Mr. Hatcher, Col. Lucas and Co. Crier – had matured, when I was appointed: I will furnish you with a report shortly thereon. –

Advise me. Yours faithfully. –

Hamilton, Ont.
22. July 1887. –

John Wilkes –
J.P.

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Hamilton: Ont. –
29. July 1887. –

My dear Sir: –

I send your license to you this day. – I also sent license to William Montgomery, 140. Front street, Toronto. –

I may tell you that I have obtained a license for George Duncan Jr. for which he will have to send me $5.00 on receipt, you will please notify him. –

Now please bear this in mind: that I dont intend to recommend any other persons – but you, Duncan, and Montgomery, for to fish in Lake Ontario, fronting on Toronto Island; – and should any outsider come there and fish, seize their fish nets at once, and report to me or send me word and I will come down, and release them of their fish nets. –

As you are already aware, I have sole control of the Toronto Island fisheries,

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Hamilton: Oct.
29. July 1847.

My dear Sir.—

I send you herewith the copy of the Lecture on Quaternions. I wish it may reach you safe in London. Just recently, the Quaternion theorem - Number of the form $p^2 + q^2 + r^2 + s^2$ - has been found by Jacobi to be a number of the form 2^n or $3 \cdot 2^n$ or $5 \cdot 2^n$ or $15 \cdot 2^n$ - that number, when n is not zero, appearing to be a power of two times a prime number. —

Believe me, Yours faithfully,
W. R. Hamilton.

P.S.

Hamilton: Oct.
29. July 1847.

My dear Sir.—

I send you herewith the copy of the Lecture on Quaternions. I also sent it to Cambridge (Trinity College, 120. Great Street, Cambridge.—

I may tell you that I have obtained a license for George Salmon, if he wishes to write to me, to see my Lectures, or to see me. Perhaps you will forward this.—

You please tell me if I must wait for further instructions from you, or if I may at once forward the copy to Cambridge.

Yours, Salmon, and Adamson, are all=powerful for the fight in Trinity College.

Nothing on Quaternions lately;— our friend Jerrard's success seems to have excited jealousy, and he has not sent me any more; and I wish some strong and talented man of their side would.—

If you are already aware, I have made Author of the Quaternions Lecture Quaternions.

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and I mean to punish them, — that is, I will make an example of them, in order that others may be deterred from committing the same crime. I have also ordered Corporal Sullivan, — who is a very good man, — to keep the Union Jack in his possession, so that you may know, when you see it, that you have, in me, a sincere friend.

George Dunsmuir died the first of June, 1888, leaving his widow, Jane Dunsmuir, and two children, — Jack and Ann, — to mourn his loss.

Shortly on things began to quietly settle down, and we at once set about getting ready for the journey. Dunsmuir, Jack, and George, — the two eldest sons, — were assigned to the duties of scouts, I had charge of the wagons, and Ann, — the only daughter, — was assigned to the duties of cook.

Our friends, the Mackenzies, were also ordered to be ready to start on the same day, and we had arranged that we should travel together, — that is, we and our friends, — Mr. and Mrs. Mackenzie, and their three children, — Jack, Ann, and Jane, — the eldest of whom was about my own age, — namely, twenty-one years, — and the youngest, a little girl of about Ann's age, — namely, twenty years.

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Mr. Mackenzie, — Dear Sir, — I have the honor to inform you that we have arrived safely at Fort Hope, and that we are now encamped on the Fraser River, — Yours, — Dunsmuir.

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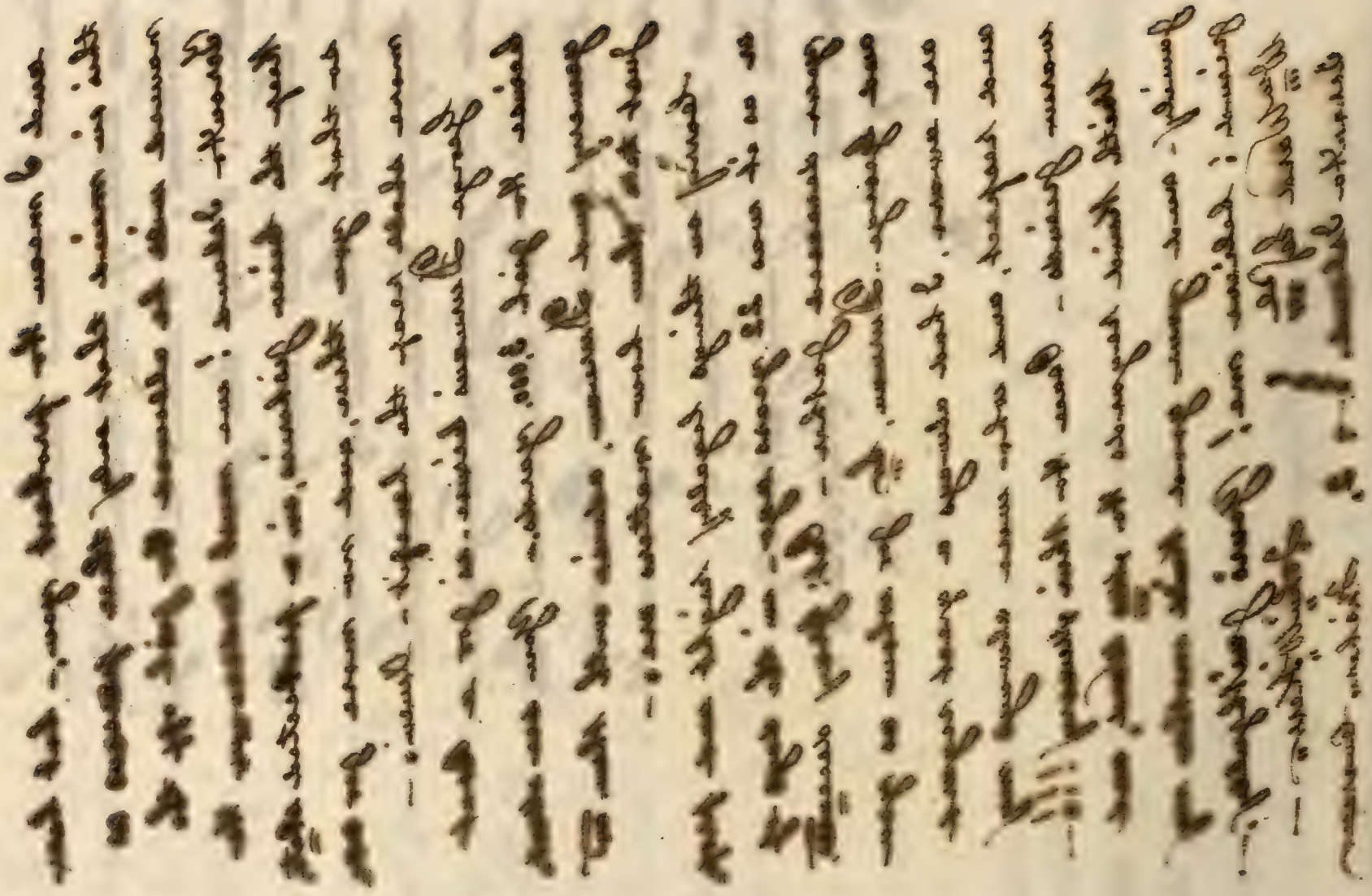

Specification !..

To all whom it may concern !!.

Be it Known, that I William Henry Rogers, of Amherst, in the County of Cumberland, in the Province of Nova Scotia, have invented certain new and useful improvements on Fish ladders, and I do hereby declare that the following is a full clear and exact description of the same..

1st. The object of this invention is to construct a Fish-way, which shall secure the easy ascent of fish not liable to damage by freshets, logs or running ice, and be adapted for either high or low water and my invention consists in constructing or placing a fishway through the dam or in the obstruction; whereby it forms a portion of the dam, the structure being built therein, and extending from the foot of the dam to the still water in the Pond above the falls..

2nd. In the structure of the Fish ladder by composing it of an inclined flooring or base a water trough, or fish ladder bearing on the same, a rib work of timber on both sides for its protection, and a hollow abutment at its mouth forming an enlarged entrance to direct fish up the ladder..

3rd. In constructing the ladder with side gateways, openings to provide water for the ascent of fish at any season of the year or at any height of water

Specification :-

To all whom it may concern :!.

Be it known, that I William Henry Rogers, of Lubeck in the County of Southampton, in the Province of Nova Scotia, have invented certain new and useful improvements in Fish Ladders, and I do hereby declare that the following is a full clear and exact description of the same.-

1st. The object of this invention is to construct a fish way, which shall cause the easy passage of fish and shall be cleanly by preventing logs or rubbish also, and be adaptable for either high or low water, and my invention consists in constructing or placing a fishway through the dam or in the abutment; naturally it forms a portion of the dam, the extremes being built thereon, and extending from the foot of the dam to the main water in the lower above the falls.-

2nd. In the structure of the fish ladder by constructing it of an inclined flooring or base a water trough, or fish ladder leading on the same, a fish work of timber on both sides for its protection, and a tailor abutment at its mouth forming an enlarged entrance to direct fish up the ladder.-

3rd. In constructing the ladder with such gateways, openings to provide water for the passage of fish at any season of the year or at any height of water.-

4th. In the peculiar form of the buckets or steps, in the fashway whereby the water is directed to secure the easy ascent of the fish. - -

Fig: 1. is a side view of the structure, showing its position in the dam. - -

Fig: 2. is a top view of the same. - -

Fig: 3. is a transverse section on the line, and Fig: 4. is a front end view of the same. -

A. is the dam into which the structure is firmly and permanently built, and forms a part of the dam. - - -

The entrance commences at the foot of the dam, and is carried up in an inclined position through the dam, and terminates in the smooth water of the mill pond or reservoir B. -.

The position of the structure being in the dam, protects it from injury by running ice, running logs, or drift stuff, and not liable to be carried away or rendered useless by freshets. -

The entrance to the ladder being at the foot of the dam, the fish readily find it, and at that point the ladder is constructed, with an abutment C. - forming an enlarged mouth to the ladder entrance, and is built sufficiently high above the dam to prevent falling water impeding the entrance. - - -

The abutment also secures permanency to the crib work, and ladder which I will now proceed to describe. - - -

4th. In the pneumatic form of the hydraulic or siphon, in the pneumatic method the water is discharged to assume the same level of the fluid. --

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Fig: 1. is a side view of the apparatus, showing the position in the down. --

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Fig: 2. is a top view of the same. --

Fig: 3. is a transverse section on the line, and Fig: 4. is a plant or view of the same. --

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4. In the down side which the apparatus is firmly and permanently held, and forms a part of the down. --

The apparatus consists of the part of the down and is carried up in an inclined position through the down, and terminates in the smaller water of the slide power or reservoir &c. --

The position of the apparatus being in the down, it is then upon supply for receiving the lower, or slight stuff, and not liable to be [illegible] or [illegible] under for [illegible]. --

The entrance to the lower being at the part of the down, the part receiving part is and at the point the lower is constructed, with an adjustment &c. -- forming an enlarger mouth to the lower entrance, and is built sufficiently high above the down to prevent falling water entering the entrance. ---

The adjustment also assures permanency to the building and lower entrance. I make non present to describe. ---

D. is a flooring placed in an inclined position in the dam, commencing at low water line, and extending to nearly high water line in the Pond, in which it may be supported on Piers b. b. - or other suitable means. - - -

The fishway D. is formed by vertical sides G. and the floor D. and which sides are held by a framing H. at suitable distances apart. - - - The sides G. at suitable intervals are cut with openings which are provided with sliding Gates I. - to allow the fish to pass in to the Pond, and to supply the way with water, when the water is so low, as not to pass into the way, from the entrance in the Pond. - The way or chute is provided with the buckets or steps J. - placed from the sides alternately. - - - They are preferably of a curved shape with a radial projection A. - on the outer extremity against which the descending water strikes and forms an eddy - and a basin in which the fish can rest in ascending the ladder. - - - The Crib work K. - which bears against the abutment b. - and through which the crib work, the fish will pass when the gates are open! - at low water.

I claim as my invention! -

1st A fishway or ladder combined with or built into or through a dam A. the entrance to said ladder or way D. being at the foot of the dam and projecting inwardly into a Pond or Reservoir B. as and for the purpose set forth. - -

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2nd A fish ladder or way permanently built

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into a dam A. having side gates I. opening into the Pond or Reservoir, as and for the purpose set forth. --

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3rd A fish ladder or way passing through a dam A. protected by exterior tube work K. as set forth. --

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4th A fish way or ladder having inclined steps or buckets. J. with radial projection, a. as and for the purposes set forth. --

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5th A fish ladder or way consisting of flow D. sides G. framing H. Bulwark, K. and an Abutment b. combined with a dam A, as set forth. --

Amherst, N. S. Signed. -
April 24th 1880. W: H: Rogers. --
Signed in presence
of - H. W: Rogers. -
A. C. Greenfield. -- This is the specification referred to in the affidavit of William Henry Rogers. - hereunto annexed. --

Sworn before me, this twenty fourth day of April. A: D. 1880. --

Signed, W. T. Cutten. -
Justice of the Peace. -

Reference! -
A: Dam. --
B: Mill pond. --
b: Abutment. --
D: Inclined flow. - D. Gibing. - K. Bulwark. -
E: Sides
G: Sides of D. -
H. Framing. --

I. Gates. -
J: Buckets. -
a Radial projection. -
Cement. -
J. Hill Wilson. -
W. Cutten.

[illegible]

[illegible]

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[illegible]

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Hamilton! Ont.

Sir...

August 1887...

With reference to the contraventions of the Fisheries Act, committed by persons allowed to fish upon the Long point leased fisheries, under a written permit given by Overseer Peter Price, who collects annually a small fee from each person who fishes; and pays the same in to The Fisheries Department, Ottawa! — to the Credit of the said Long point Company...

Fishing sturgeon gill nets recently, on Saturday night the 18th and on Sunday and on Sunday night, the 19th of June last, which is contrary to law; was not approved of by Mr Edward Harris, President at present of the Board of Directors of the Long point Company, Lake Erie! — I believe this is a wise view taken; for all concerned in the public interest of these extensive fisheries...

Since the Long point Company, have become possessed of these vast, wealthy and rich fisheries, efforts have been through Col; D. Fraser the Company's Solicitor, from time to time to sublet these fisheries, and they have been sublet, and rented! although under their present Lease, they have no power to do this... I can now safely say; for I have watched these transactions closely; that the result in every instance has proved a failure...

The present fishery officer, Peter Price, instead of being amenable to the Solicitor, should be made to protect and preserve these vast fisheries, and their surroundings; and do nothing else.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries...
Ottawa! Ont.

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Hamilton, Ont.

Aug. 1st 1887.

With reference to the construction of the fencing that community by persons allowed to pick upon the along point beach fishing, we are a monthly permit given by Messrs Gibb who collects annually a certain fee from each person who fishes; and pays the dues to the fishing department. Whether, to the extent of the along point tenement.

Fishing although quite much recently, on account many of the 18th and on Sunday, and on Sunday night, the 19th of June last, which is contrary to law; was not approved of by the Hamilton Police. Considered at present the honor of protection of the along point tenement. Gentlemen! - I believe this is a very new matter; for all concerned in the public interest of these extensive fisheries. -

Since the along point tenement, there is some possession of these most wealthy and rich fisheries, appears have been thought fit; to consider the tenement obtainer. From this to have to build these fisheries, and they have been builder, and owner! although under their present terms, they have no power to do this. I am now defeat any; for I have written these memorations briefly: that the result in every instance has proved a failure. -

The present fishing office, Gibb Bros. instead of being amenable to the obtainer, should be made to protect and preserve these most fish and - and their surroundings; not do nothing else.

The Deputy Minister,

Department of Fisheries. -

Ottawa! Ont.

Recently, as you are aware, Overseer Peter Price, having become interested in Sturgeon gill net fishing with Son William Price - was reported by his Nephew, Stephen Price, - and by Walter F. Ferris, whose sister is William Price's wife. -- I recommend this to your notice! -

Under all common sense and reason: connected with the Long point Company fisheries - it is about time, that a start was made in the right direction of protecting and preserving these fisheries more efficiently, for the future: than they have been during the past. --

These fisheries have been as I remarked a failure commercially. -- Then they might be locked up altogether, for the balance of the unexpired Lease to the Long point Company with their consent. -- I respectfully recommend that you will please take the matter at once into your consideration. --- The vastness of these fisheries, require that your special attention should be given and bestowed on a place so valuable; with the intention of keeping it valuable still. --- All our Lakes, and Bays, require that miles of the same should be set apart for breeding purposes; and where fishing shall cease for 5. or 10. years altogether; otherwise the fish will be exterminated. ---

Whether the present 9 years lease, should be continued to Long point Company, - or be cancelled, is for you hereafter to determine. -

The license fee paid yearly, $100, - about pays for the services annually performed by Overseer Peter Price! while the benefits to be derived from Long point, as a natural fish

Recently, as you are aware, Lorenzo Dow Chase, having become interested in Antwerpen, did not proceed with our Hillsboro Chase, now represented by the Wapakoneta, Hoyt-Dow Chase, and by Walter S. Chase, entire in Hillsboro Chase only. We recommend this to your notice.

Matters all concerning Chase and Lorenzo Dow, with the long point Company Fishery, at this time, that a short note needs in the light direction of protecting and preserving these fisheries more efficiently for the future: than they have been during the past.

These fisheries have been so demoralized as to be commercially. Then they might be better up altogether, for the balance of the unexpired lease to the long point Company with their consent. We respectfully recommend that you will please take the matter at once into your consideration. The readiness of these fisheries, requires that your special attention should be given and therefore we a please do not make, with the intention of keeping it not made public. We are clerks, and they, re quire that modes of the same should be set apart for breeding purposes; and when fishing should cease for 6 or 10 years altogether; then we the fish will be replenished.

Whether the present 9 years lease, should be continued to long point Company, or to Lorenzo, is for you hereafter to determine.

The lease for point pelee, $100, about page for the services usually performed by Lorenzo Dow Chase; while the length to be determined from long point, as a natural fish

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Breeding ground ... will be incalculable ....
I talked with the President, Mr Edward Harris, of London, Ont. on the 27th July last, and he goes in for the protection of these vast fisheries: as Natural Breeding places, to people Lake Erie, above, and below Long point, for which it does appear Long point is now become better adapted, for, than it is for fishing there, under the present system for Commercial purposes ....

I may report, from the old cut, the boundary of the Long point Company; to the Light House at the extreme end of Long point is 20 miles:- And from the beach on the south shore of Long point, for the entire distance of these 20 miles in Lake Erie: the Lease extends 5 miles out, into the said Lake, as I understand it .... And fronting on the Light House, at the end of Long point, there is very deep expansive water; the resort of Salmon Trout ... &c. &c. &c. ....

Then from this Light House, away up to the old cut, through the Center Bay;- the distance is more than 20 miles .. And the limits of the Lease extends 5 miles from the beach of Long point, out in to the Center Bay. ...

It is because I think these fisheries requires your notice and attention: say about 200,- Square miles of fishing grounds, well kept, carefully protected and preserved from all net fishing: will in my opinion prove itself in the end of a few years: a great and mighty place for sturgeon, white fish, bass, maskinonge, broad mallet, "a choice fish"- channel cat, &c. &c. &c.-
A Breeding place of unsurpassed wealth, with

Treacherous ground ... made it unadvisable ...

I started with the Steamboat, the Tamarac Towing, for Glenelg, but on the 27th July I met and he gave me for the protection of these coast his boats: on returned towards Glenelg, he people data his, above, and below along point for which it does appear along point is now becomes better adapted for; then it is for fishing there, under the present system for commercial purposes ...

I may report, from the est end, the boundary of the long point township: to the eight three at the extreme east of long point is 20 miles: that from the land on the south shore of long point, for the entire distance of these 20 miles in data line: the above extends 3 miles out into the lake, on I understand it ... that fronting on the eight three, at the east of long point there is very deep appearance water: the beach of shoreline that ... ...

When from this eight three, sweep up to the est end through the inter township - the distance is more than 20 miles .. that the limits of the above extends 3 miles from the land of long point out in to the inter township ...

It is because I think these portions require your notice and attention: long about 200 - square miles of fishing grounds, under that township protection and preserved from are not fishing: made in my opinion place itself in the use of a few years: a great and mighty place for estuary, with fish, bass, muskinunge, trout, mullet & shore fish" - channel est N. N. W. - a teeming place of unexpressed wealth, with

bright prospects a head, should make the place entitled to your Kind consideration. --

The President of Long point Company, coincide, and agree; with the Contents of this report. ---

And more over, when the Fisheries of Long point, are set apart for Breeding purposes, the President, and Board of Directors, will so arrange matters, and things internally; that Colonel D. Tisdale, - M.P. the Solicitor, shall not interfere with the Long Point fisheries, any more for the future: -- If you approve!

I would respectfully ~~respectfully~~ recommend that you will put yourself in communication with Edward Harris, Esqre President of the Long point Company, - London, Ontario: - when I believe this matter, can be satisfactorily arranged. --

Respectfully recommended! -

I Have the Honor to be,
Sir, -
Your Obedient ~~Servant~~,
Phil. W. Keys
Fishery Overseer.

a Minister fishing
Licence for 1887. -

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Hon. G. Wrottesley Esqre
Minister, -
Post Office
Ref. -

Mailed on 19. August 1887

Insofar proposed a time, should meets the place suitable to your that convenient. --

The President of Long Point Company, remains, our agree; with the contents of this report. ---

But moreover, when the Trustees of Long Point are not equal for Breaking purposes, the President and Owner of Trustees, make an arrange matter, our things internally; that between the Trustees, etc. the definition, shall not interfere with the Long Point Trustees, and more for the future: -- If you approve!

I would respectfully recommend that you make just generally in communication with Talmer House. Yours The President of the Long Point Company. Canada. Toronto: -- when I believe this matter, can be satisfactorily arranged. --

Respectfully recommend! --

I have the honor to be,

Sir --

Your obedient servant

Mahlon Haze

Trustee Company.

Toronto 1881 Sept. 21st

Memo: for L. O. Stewart Esq.
Fisheries Department.—
Ottawa! Oct.—

As regards Commissioner Sharp—Cook and Col: Tisdale!— the sooner they are separated, so much the for the peace and tranquility of Long point and Turkey point fisheries.— At the request of Mr. Edward Harris— I waited on him at his residence in London, Oct. on 27th July last, and my report herewith sent for your to look over, will show you at once, that a change is now become necessary, regarding the internal and external working of the Long point Company.— Fishing has been tried there annually, again and again to no good result.—

Instead of Commissioner Otto Price, superintending stranger gills net fishing—out on a bank bar—on the south shore,— better give up this net fishing altogether! and then, about

then confine himself to his legitimate business of protecting the fisheries.— And as for Col: Tisdale, he should not be permitted to interfere with Long point fisheries at all any more,— and with this object in view, I have written to the Deputy Minister the enclosed letter: for your adjudication thereon.

Col: Tisdale has demoralized the fisheries of Long point, Turkey point, Walsingham, and Houghton!— Sharp & Price are more amenable to him, than they appear to be to your orders and the Department.—

It is all stuff—for Sharp and Price, declining the counterings Jackson and Dickinson licences.— I just returned from St. Thomas on yesterday evening, having been Jackson there on monday last.— "The heat of the weather, is unbearable"

I simply asked Jackson—why he reported me; his reply was: he had good reason to do so; when I recommended a man named Dickinson for a licence to

Albany: Jan 4. 1. Sunset Lodge.
Fishing Department.—
Albany: Oct.—

Dr Sir.— Received this day — but
not see: Dear! — We answer they are
separate, & must be for the present
out temporarily of long point over Shelby
point Gibson. — At the request of Mr
Salmon Davis — I write you this at his re=
dishes in Albany, but as Mr Jeff Sect
out my report himself and for you to
look over, write when you at once, that
a change is now deemed necessary re=
garding the nations out extend nothing of
the long point company. Fishing too been
that this summer, yours out respects to
no good result. —

Instead of Seven Men this season, experience
shows you not fishing — not a — but
in the south shore — Letter you see my
the net fishing altogether! — not the — about

the company himself to be legitimate business
of protecting the fisheries. — But as for
Dear: Dear, to absolute not to permitter
to interfere with long point fisheries at all
and more — must with the right in mind, I
have written to the Deputy Minister the en=
closed letter: for your enjoyment thereon
Dear: Dear has recommended the fishing
of long point, Shelby point, Gibson Sun
and Long Pointe! — Albany & Dear are more
amenable to him, then they appear to be
to you review and the Department. — —
If so all right — for Albany and Dear, by
giving the protection fishers and Salmon
Fisheries. — I just returned from Dr Bennett
on protection fishing. Long Sun fishers
this on monday last. — "The effect of
the weather is unknown"
I simply write Jeffries — only to re=
port me! his reply was: he has your
reason to do so: when I recommended a
new remote Distribution for a reason to

fish a Pound net, between him and C. C. Bates; I said who has said so; his reply was Dave Sharp; my answer to this was - tell Sharp from me he has told you a falsehood. —

Sharp obtained a licence for Dickson who is Reeve of the township of Naughton, he did not fish it, - he disposed of the licence to Emery Clay, who has paid the licence fee for this current year, for the Department to Answer Sharp, - Emery and Coy - dont intend to fish this Pound net during this year, least they might harm Jackson or Bates. —

So you may see what little reason Jackson has had to write his! —

Then it was Ross, done it all Sharp told all round! —

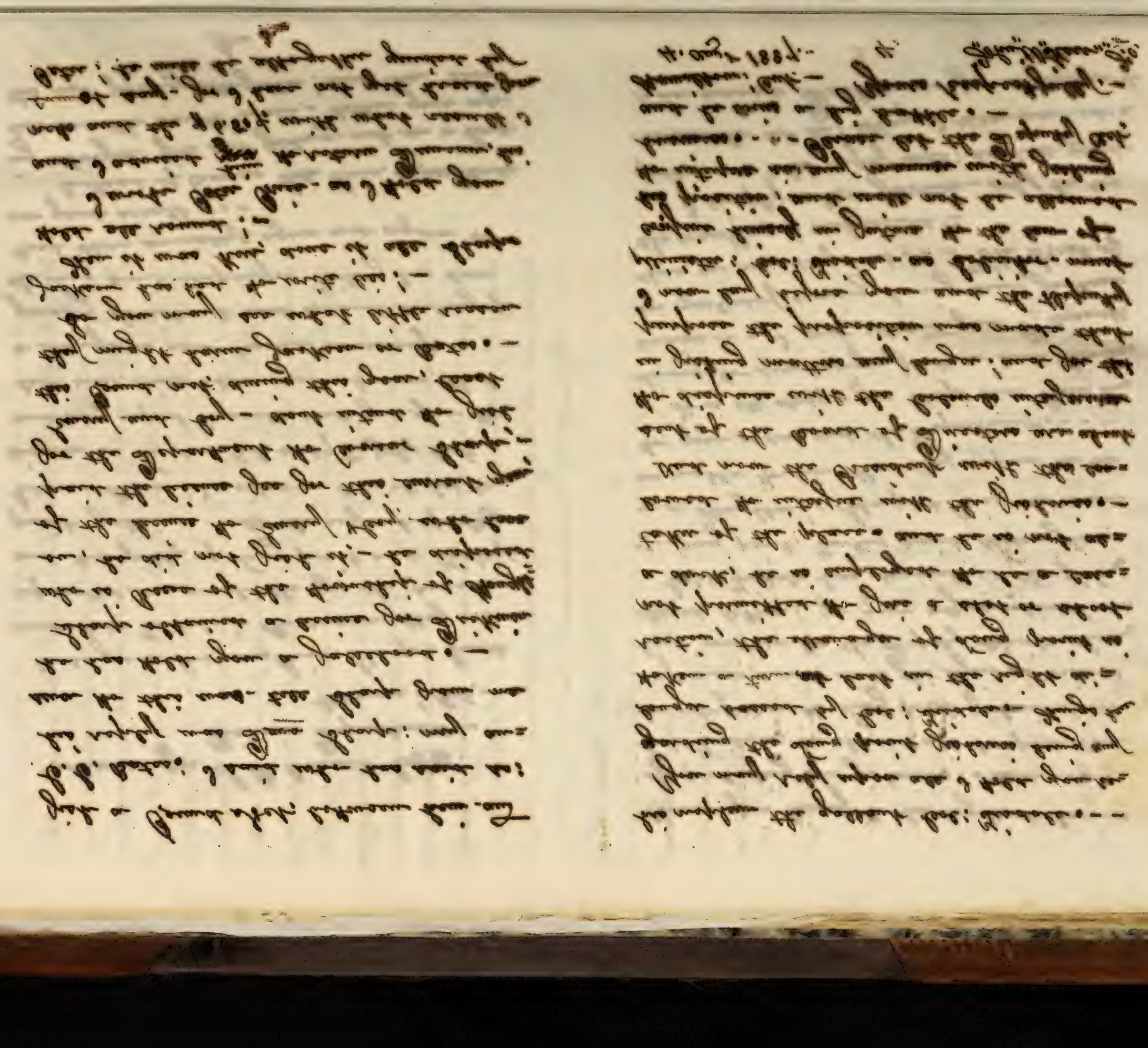
I wrote Peter Price - as I told you and I advised him to return Duncan, his nets and the $6.50 c, with what result I cannot say - for I have not yet heard from Peter; he will be altogether guided by his nephew the gallant Col: Tisdale. — —

You may rely upon all I told you regarding the Long point fisheries being any longer based by Col: Tisdale. — Things have taken a turn at last in the right direction, the Manager of Long point is not permitted to fire a shot or shoot a duck, he is employed to be a caretaker of the place, and he is not allowed to interfere with the fisheries. —

Dad now the President with the consent of the Board of Directors are about to dispense with the Colonels interference in fishing matters any longer! and for that purpose the proposition was made that I now lay before you and the Deputy Minister; but Tisdale - as Collector - must conform himself in future to the law of his position; and will not be allowed to interfere in any manner with fishing licences. . . . . Please let the Deputy Out, and he drinks a big bottle. —

Hamilton! Ont. — Yours respectfully. —

4. Augt 1887. — 4. John Kerr, J.C.



Hamilton, Ont.,
6. August 1887.

Sir,

I have the honor to send you herewith Bank draft, 80:293. for the sum of One Hundred and thirty five dollars.

Will you be pleased to apply this amount for this current year, as follows:-

1. John Ellison Jr., Port Stanley:- On account of a license for to fish five pound nets, in Lake Erie.- license already received, but not yet delivered; until balance is paid; the total amount is 250.- Amount sent $125.00.

2. William B: Woollard, Pt. Credit.- For a Boat license to fish in the public waters of Lake Ontario, fronting on the County of Peel; viz:- 6,000. yards of Trout, White fish and Herring gill nets.- The amount here is.- $5.00.

3.- Said 250 yards of Seine, on the East and the West of the River Credit in Lake Ontario; where it enters the Lake! $5.00.

Total. $135.00.

I recommend that you will be pleased to grant plr. Mr. B. Woollards license.

I have the Honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
J. Phillips.
Fishery Officer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa!

Treasury Dept.
6 August 1887.

Sir,

I have the honor to send you herewith Bonds draft No: 2 & 3. for the sum of Two thousand and thirty five dollars.

Will you be pleased to apply this amount for the current year, as follows:

1. For the Allison Gt. Hot Springs. In account of a license for the first three months ending June 30. License already received but not yet delivered; entire balance is paid; the total amount is 350. amount sent 175.00

2. Mississippi St: Monticello. Gt. Springs. For a bond license to sell in the public waters of the state, pending on the boundary of Ark: being 5000. gallons of Mineral Water sold and shipping yet made. The amount due is. $ 5.00

3. Sent 350 gallons of Water on the bond and the balance of the Turner Springs in Clarke County; waters in Clarke Co. $ 5.00

Total. $ 185.00

I recommend that you write to delivered the proper city Mr. G. Monticello license.

I have the honor to be,

Yours obedient servant,
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Treasurer.

The Comptroller of the Treasury,
Washington D.C.

James S. Webster Esqre
Fisheries Department,
Ottawa! Hamilton! Ont. —

7. August 1887. —

My dear Sir, —

Yours of the 5th instant, received, I thank you for putting me in possession of the Bassett's movements, — I wrote him on last Friday, you will have received the letter for him on last Saturday morning. —

Will you please keep that letter for him until his return. — —

I am in excellent health, and my knee is improving all the time, I can walk quietly around all the time, and my lameness is nearly gone. —

I left here on last Monday morning for Mr Burwell, Bruce and Stanley. I returned home on Wednesday afternoon, almost roasted. I was so exhausted when I got to Stanley on Tuesday evening after driving 25 miles, that I could neither eat nor drink, and I eat nothing until Wednesday afternoon. when I got home.

Roots as you remark of all kinds will be dead, I fear completely up; and the early potatoes have already become a failure. —

Will you be pleased to send me a copy of Frank Jackson's licence for to fish fower pound nets in Lake Erie, — fronting on the Township of Houghton. — We had some rain here on Friday night last it just about wet the ground; however we must be content. — The Great I am. The architect of the Universe. Always does things well. And I hope he will not punish us more than we are able to bear. — I am reduced from the effects of the fall and injury to my right knee and thigh 20 pounds. I am down to 220 pounds at present. — The tendons of right knee snapped apart from the force of the fall, but they are growing again! — Thanking you for your kind enquiries.

Believe me,

Yours fraternally, John W Kerr.

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Hamilton, Ont.
7. August 1887.

My dear Duncan,

Will you please let me know, if you have received your Sturgeon Gill nets, and $6.50 cash from Peter Price. Since my last letter to you, he has again been ordered to give all back to you.

If you have received them, please let me know when you got them back. Or if not given up please let me know when they are. And oblige,

Yours truly.

Jas: L. Duncan Esq.
Forestville, Ont.

J. Hill Wilkes
J.O.

Hamilton, Ont.
12. August 1887.

My dear Duncan,

Yours received, you are dead right in all you say! but then remember I cannot neglect my duties & must work while it is day.

I got home here from Port Stanley on next day. After I saw you, the bowel complaint, I am now getting better, but you will be surprised I am then pounds more reduced in my weight. Glory Halleluiah!

I was at Niagara and Port Dalhousie. I saw Tilla by appointment, he did not be back a letter from you.

We discussed Frank Jackson, &c. for Sir Hence. Then I came on the Ridgeway and home here that night. 120 miles for one day. I enclosed 97c. and sent it to Department the day.

With kind regards to all, Yours, &c.

J. Hill Wilkes J.O.

Hamilton, Sept.

7. August 1881.

My dear Clemens,

Inside your please let me know, if you have received your Mississippi MSS. – and if 6,394 words from Peter Dixie. – Dixie may look better to you, he has often been asked to send the girls all book to you.

If you have received them, please let me know when you get them back.

If not yours up please let me know when they are. – Just telegraph.

Yours truly –

Jos: L. Hamilton Esq.

Hamilton, Sept. 7

Jos. L. Hamilton

Hamilton, Ont.

12. August 1881.

My dear Sir! –

Yours received, you are about right in all you say! but this Mississippi chapter may let my chapter [illegible] [illegible] it is [illegible]

I get home the 25th [illegible] – [illegible] – [illegible] – [illegible] [illegible] suspicion, I am [illegible] [illegible] suspicion of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Hamilton! Ont. –
12th August 1887. –

Sir. –

I have the honor to send you Bank draft No: 310. – for Seventy five dollars. –

Will you be pleased to apply this amount for this current year! as follows: –

1. Mrs Jane Elliott, Niagara, – "For a seine license, already received and delivered." $15.00.

2. Albert and Charles Bale, Niagara. – "For a Boat license already received, and delivered!" amount is, . . . $5.00.

3. Fred.k Perott, – Niagara! – "For a boat license to fish 2,000, yards of Herring gill nets, 3" inch extension measure, fronting on the County of Lincoln, in Lake Ontario, between Niagara Town, and Port Dalhousie". – The amount is sent herewith. – – $5.00. –

I recommend that you will be pleased to grant this license. – – –

4. William Scott, Ridgeway, – "For a license to fish, One pound net, single pot or head, in the waters of Lake Erie, – fronting on Point Abino" township of Bertie" the amount, $50.00

I recommend the same. – – Total. $75.00

I have the Honor to be. –
Sir. –
Your Obedient Servant. –
Hiram W. Kerr. –
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries
Ottawa! – Ont.

O.K. Frank Williams, – Bertie, – applied for licence to fish, as was required by you: I paid him back his $5.00. Now then instead of Frank Williams, – please insert George Brown Jr. in his stead! for I took the letters off to pay back Williams. – –

Yours respectfully! – Hiram W. Kerr – F.O. –

Hamilton, Ont.

Sir,

12th August 1887.

I have the honor to send you Bank draft No: 310. for twenty five dollars.

Will you be pleased to apply this amount for the current year, as follows:

1. "The Jane Booth Hospital" For a house already received and delivered. $15.00

2. "Ontario and Manitoba Bell Hospital" For a front house already received and delivered. "Amount is" $5.00

3. "The Bruce Hospital" For a front house to yield 2000 pounds of flowing pile mats. "and extension measure, punching on the length of sheets, in cells between flowing pile" "The Ontario Hospital" For a front "Amount is last January" $5.00

I remember that you wish to please to grant this house.

4. "Children's Aid Society" For a house to yield. Bro. pressed mat, single pat or tear in the matter of cells &c. punching on "Cost Allow" "Township of Barton" the amount $50.00

I recommend the house. Total $75.00

I have the honor to be.

Dr. Hospital Minister.

&c.

Department of Public Works Government House.

Ottawa, Ont. Philadelphia.

Sidney Barnes.

Q. Have Children's Aid Society applied for house to yield or repeated by you: I think the last has $5.00. Are the members of Aid Society Protestant or Roman Catholic. Please inquire for I think the letter yet to grant Aid Society.

Yours respectfully, Philadelphia &c.

Wm. J. Emery Esqre. Merchant. Ont. Burwell.

Confidential.

Hamilton! Ont. -
14. August 1887. -

My dear Mr. Emery. -

As I told you in my last note I met Mr. Tribble, by appointment at Port Erie, and we discussed Frank Jackson, and his false report against me. - -

On my return home from St. Catharines I had a letter from Ottawa, to say Mr. Bennett had gone to Quebec for a week, would let me know as soon as he returned. - -

Sharp has again refused to sign Frank Jacksons licence for the pound net, and the Deputy has sent it back again to him again.

I dont think that there will be any difficulty in coming to an arrangement between you and Tribble for the girl the present short of pound nets. - - He feels bad that Jackson would make a false report against me and not mention the matter to him. -

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altho! mind you when Sharp recommended the Reeve of Stoughton, and got him that licence to fish a pound between Jackson and Bates:- there was not sufficient space for him to fish! Tribble told me everything about this pound net. - - Jackson told Tribble that Sharp told him I got Dickinson the Reeve of Stoughton the licence for him to fish this pound; whilst I know everything about that pound and Jacksons threats if it was fished by you; I never saw Dickinson, never had any correspondence with him, on any subject. - Considering the way that pound net licence got in to your possession, and that it is not to be fished this year; if I was in your place, I would return it to the Fisheries department. - Sharp in the first place had not a single sound reason for recommending Dickinson for a licence. - It was a fraud to give it to him, and all Sharp's acts - is rotten, from the beginning.

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You will see Trebla shortly and then you can talk and arrange matters. — Cheer up, cheer up! — Our Lord is sufficient for to do all your work, and Trilla's work; don't you think so yourself. — —

As soon as Mr Barnett returns to Ottawa I will communicate with him and let you know the result. — Mr Trilla as a valuable young fellow — from our Fisheries — between Port Stanley and the Grand River, Lake Erie, — is just as well and favorably known in Ottawa as he can be. — He has proved himself a good boy, and reliable, and so long as he and the fishermen of Lake Erie deal together with each other, he has nothing to fear, or be afraid of. — As I have written to Mr Barnett some days ago! I expect to hear from him the moment he lands here. —

All things considered, I have nothing to complain of; as the are all well here at present. And with kind & warm regards. — —

Yours faithfully, — John W. Kerr. —

(See over.) 2. F.O. —

only necessary. — — —

As regards your kind invitation for Mrs Kerr, and myself to the Picnic of the Irish Benevolent Society, — London: if my time was my own I would most willingly accept your kind invitation, but I have arranged to be on the Island, — Toronto, on the 18th instant. — Every day this week, and last week, work, work, miles travelled. — — —

I sincerely thank you for your kind invitation to Mrs Kerr, — and myself, but prior engagement, has knocked it in the head. — Both Mrs Kerr, and I, wish you and every other member of The Irish Benevolent Society — every happiness — this world can confer ~~upon~~ upon you! when I lived in London, — I was a member of your Society. —

With warm and kind regards to you, and yours, — Yours faithfully, —

John W. Kerr. — F.O.

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Hamilton, C.W.
15. August 1887.

My dear Mr. Tribble.

As arranged between you and I, I went to Ancona on yesterday, which is the first Railway station, east of Hamilton.
And I remained there while Patrick Hand's two sons Thomas and William Hand, were in the Lake fishing up: They got upwards of 200 pounds of Salmon trout, running from six pounds, up to 24 pounds, splendid fish.

You have nothing to do now but come along and complete your arrangement. You can also arrange with Hand and Sons, for to get their Cisco and Herrings.
The Railway is about one mile from the Lake, and three Trains stop

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there daily, that will carry the fish for you to Suspension Bridge and thence to Buffalo.

Telegraph me when to meet you at St. Nicholas, Hamilton, giving me a full day's notice, and I will meet you and drive you down there so that you may arrange matters.
The day I saw you at Fort Erie, I came direct home by Caledonia.
With kind regards, believe me,
Yours Sincerely,
Phil. Kerr.

E. J. Tribble Esq.re
Wholesale Fish Dealer,
46, River St.
Buffalo, N.Y.

Fishery Overseer.

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Hamilton, Ont.
12. August 1887.

My dear Willie.—

In answer between you and yr. I want to know on questionary which is the point that is your chosen. Just of Hamilton.—

That I remained there while Patrick Hands two days Thomas and Mc=Lean Hand, were in the cloth fitting up:.. They got upwards of 200 pounds of Cashmere that, running you out pounds, up to 34 pounds:- depended fit.—

You have nothing to do now but come along and complete your arrangement.— You can also arrange with Hand and Lane.— for get this Trices and Trimmings.—

The Tailoring is about one week from the cloth, and then Thomas will then decide that week suit the girl for you to Independence Bridge and thence to Buffalo.—

Telegraph me when to meet you at Hrs. Hamilton.— giving me a full day's notice, and I will meet you and drive you down this so that you may arrange matters.—

The day I saw you at Tait's, I saw Grant home by Galbraith.—

With Hunt Regards, believe me,

Yours sincerely

Philip Thomas.

To J. Willie Esq.
Wholesale Tait Clothier
40. Main St.
Buffalo. N.Y.

Peter McCann Esqre
P.O. London. Ont. Hamilton, Ont.

My dear Sir, — 17. August 1887.—

Your of the 16th instant, just received; and in reply I beg to state that I will come up on Monday next when you and I will run out to St Marys — that afternoon, consult with Mrs an Mr Moore — and decide what should be done. —

Moore's Mill Dam! — The Department in their instructions to you and I say: — "It is necessary, that good Fishway be built in that dam, though fish are said to surmount the obstacle in very high water." —

After mature consideration, thinking a good deal of my time over the fishway in Mr Moore's dam. —

Before anything further is done, I have thought it would be advisable to see the dam again, and the

Mill race, and the Mill; — the latter, we did not see, when you and I made our first inspection. — —

I have a copy of the specification according to the Model. —

I think after we see the place again; and discuss the matter, pro, and con; we may perhaps change our minds somewhat, a different way may be discovered whereby fish will be enabled to surmount Mr Moores dam, without going to great expense, when perhaps by a closer examination made again by you and I, some discovery may present itself to our view, and be at once taken hold of, same as we have done on discovering the waste gates — at Byron dam. Except only what is necessary neither you, nor I, — have any inclination to see Mr Moore pay one of more in the construction of his fishway, — than is —

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Letter of Adams to Jefferson: Consulting Assembly: Lost.

My dear Sir, — 17. August 1837. —

Yours of the 15th instant, just received: and in reply I beg to state that I will come up on Monday next when I — and I will turn out to Jeffersonian Assembly. That assembly, consult with the Alleghany — and decide what should be done. —

Alleghany Mills Dam. — The Commissioners in their instructions to you and I say: — "It is necessary that good judgment be built in that dam, though it be not to surmount the obstacle in very high water." —

After mature consideration, thinking a good deal of my time over the business in the Alleghany dam. — —

Before anything further is done, I have thought it would be reasonable to see the dam again, and the

hills here, and the mills: — the latter, we did not see when you and I made our first inspection. — —

I have a copy of the representation according to the plaintiff. —

I think after we see the place again, and discuss the matter fully and fully; we may perhaps change our minds somewhat, or different may be discovered interesting facts will be needed to surmount the difficulties without going to great expense, rather perhaps by a clear explanation made again by you and I, some discovery may present itself to our view, and be at once thrown into the same as we have done so during the whole year. At Elgin dam, simply what is necessary neither you or I — have any instruction to see the alterations of more in the interpretation of the judgment, then is —

Hamilton! Ont.
17. August 1887.-

My dear Peter!

Your letter received, informing me that you bought gill nets and money - to James L. Duncan, of Forestville - and that he refused to take them back....

I will report to the Department and let you know the result. - Acting under the advice of the Fisheries Department, Ottawa - stop where you are now until you receive further instructions....

Take no notice - of Duncan's threats.... With my warm and kind regards,

Yours faithfully. -
John W. Kerr. -
F.O.

Peter Price Esqre
Fishery Overseer.
St. Williams -
Ont.

Robert Reid Jr. Esqre Chief of Police.
Niagara, Ont.

Hamilton! Ont.
18. August 1887.

My dear Rob! -

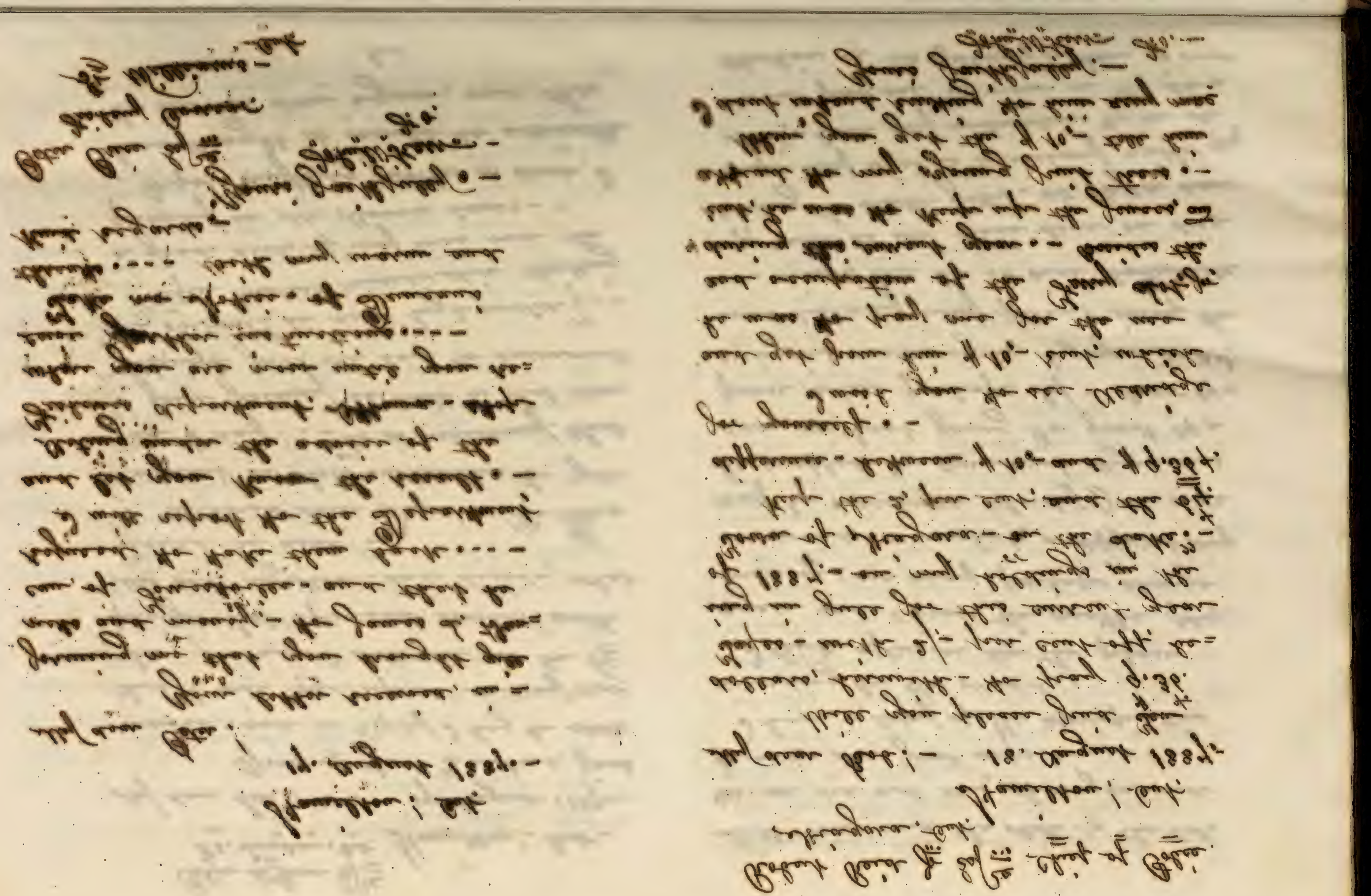
Will you please find Ten dollars, herewith - to pay 9.36 Taxes - with 2/- per cent off, being in full for this current year of 1887. - on my holdings in the Town of Niagara - on the Lake". -

Keep the 2, per cent, and the 64¢ difference - between $10,- and $9.36¢. for yourself. -

I wish you to see Aldridge and get from him $10,- rent, which he was to pay me for the use and occupation of the Ferry Lot, for, during this current year. - Besides the rent, he was to keep up the fences, and attend to my young fruit trees. -

When you get the $10,- tell him I dont intend renting to him any more.

Yours faithfully. -
John W. Kerr. F.O. -



Hamilton! Ont.—
18. August 1887.—

My dear friend Lang.—

Your Money $.100. was duly received, and I sent the same to the fisheries department on the 12th of July last.—

On the 3rd. August, instant, I got as far Pt. Stanley,—on my way up to see you and Patterson,—was so broken up with heat, that I turned my back on you and made for home!—Considering the serious injury I received by a fall on last Christmas day,—by which the tendons and sinews of my right knee gave way—snapped and broke, I am otherwise in good health.—Only I am reduced 30 pounds in weight.—

I am always glad to hear from you!—for whatever is the reason, my

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feelings are always it seems congenial with yours.— All I travelled about 5,000. miles, during the past ½ year, ending 30th June,— I conducted nearly all my business in Elgin,— by letter.

"I am satisfied in my own mind at least, that I am dealing with men, who take an interest in the fisheries."

I am off to Toronto this morning, so must finish up this note—

Glad with Kind regards to you and yours! believe me as ever,

Yours Sincerely,
John Kerr—
Jno.

Daniel Lang Esqre
Ocket Inspector,
Eagle. P. Office.
Ont.

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Hamilton! Oct.
18. August 1837.

My dear friend Henry.—

Your allowance of £100. was duly received, and I hold the same to the Pinkney department on the 15th of July last...

On the 3rd August instant I got on from Mr Hamilton — on my way up to see you and Catherine, — was to bring up with him that I should not leave you and make for home: — considering the serious injury I received by a fall on last Saturday — by which the doctors and friends of my family have been anxious, — suffered and hurts, I am otherwise in good health. — Only I am reduced 30 pounds in weight. —

I am always glad to hear from you: — for whatever is the reason, my

feelings are always at some congenial with yours. — Still I remember that £100. minus the rent for year ending 31st June. — I conclude merely all my business in Sligo, by letter.

"I am satisfied in my own mind at least, that I am dealing with my wife there on interest in the Pinkney. I am off to Dromore this morning. — must finish up this note — that with that long words to you and yours: believe me as ever,

Your affectionate,
Philip Pinkney —
&c.

Dennis Henry Esq.
Pinkney Department,
Esq. & Co.
Oct.

Hamilton; Ont. -

19. August 1827.-

My dear Bishop! -

On receipt, please send me $10.- licence fee.- for fishing 2. Boats, with gill nets during this current year. -

If, as some people say; you are fishing 3 Boats, containing gill nets, in Lake Ontario, fronting on the County of Lincoln - your licence fee will be $5. each boat, the lowest I can fix it. -

So please send me on $15. or $10. as the case may be. -

Reports are being made occasionally to Ottawa, about the fishing at Niagara, so that you and I - and every one else, have to toe the mark. -

I wish you to keep for me an accurate account of all the fish that pass through your hands this year. -

With Kind regards. -

Robt Bishop Esqre, Niagara. } Yours truly, - John Ware. J.O.

Hamilton. Ont.

19. August 1827.-

My dear Woolford, -

Will you be pleased to find herewith, your licence for this current year, for to fish in Lake Ontario, fronting on Port Credit, and the County of Peel. -

You are licensed to fish 6,000. yards, of Running gill nets, - Vc. - Vc. Vc. Vc.

Mr. Paddy Hand, and his brother Mr. John Hand - and sons - are doing well, catching salmon Trout! this season. - -

You should be doing well also, having good Trout grounds - under your licence. - - With Kind regards. - -

Yours truly. -

John Ware. J.O. -

W. A. Woolford Esqre, Fisherman. -

Port Credit. -

Ont.

Hamilton, Oct.

19. August 1857.

My dear Bishop:—

In reply please send me £10.— Income Tax.— for fishing 2 boats, with gils nets during the current year.—

My, as some people say, you are fishing 3 boats, instructing gils nets, & state Income, paying on the Income of course. you know you will be 3/6. and but the Income I am put it.—

So please send me on £16.0.0 & I will see the rest may be.—

Depends we being much occasionally to Ottawa, about the fishing at Pictou, so that you and I, and many are else, have to see the matter.—

I wish you to keep for me an exact account of all the gils that you through your hands this year.—

With kind regards.—

Yours truly,

Alex. McDonald.

Rt Rev. Bishop Scott &c.
Halifax.

Hamilton, Oct.

19. August 1857.

My dear Bishop:—

This you to please to put Income, your Income Tax the current year, for the gils in state Income fishing & Oct. Oct. and the Income of Oct.—

You are licensed to put 6000 yards of Herring gils nets.— Rt. Rt. Rt.

My Brother Alex. and his brother John Alex. and Sons — are doing same fishing Income Oct.; this season.—

You should be doing such also, having your Oct. yards — under your Income.— With kind regards.—

Yours truly,

Alex. McDonald.

Rt. Rev. McDonald Esq.
Halifax.—
Oct. Oct.—
Scott.

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Captain,

John Brown, Esq.
Pt. Stanley. — &c.

Hamilton! Ont. —
19. August 1837. —

My dear Captain! —

I started from Port Stanley, next morning — after you had seen me the night before — I got home here at 2. p. m. — took Bowel complaint and in less than a week, I was reduced in weight, 10 pounds. — Down I went from 228, to 218. — On yesterday, I turned the scales at 216, — and, as you may see I am on the road to improvement once more. . . .

On the 2d. instant, you gave me your cheque for £125. — I got it cashed here in Stone Bank, — on my return home. — It answered, and on the cheque for the balance £125. — I hope your fishing will be good, for the balance of this year. . . . On my first trip, and keep your catch of fish, under the various kinds, strictly correct so that I may get every thing in good shape at the end of the current year.

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I hope my old and extreme friend, Major Herrick — is well. — Kindly remember me to him! — and I hope that you and family are enjoying the blessings of good health. . . I came away at Toronto, on yesterday, — I came away last week, at Niagara, and Fort Erie, — I am all O.K. — again! my knee and leg is much better, look smaller. I am sure will get me all right again. . . We had a splendid rain here on last night, it was quite cool, this morning. . . .

I hope all our friends will do well in fishing the approaching fall, — from this time forth: and I conclude hoping that Montye, my right hand, will not be competitor this year, but, believe me as usual with my warm regards and respects! — to you and all! I am, K.

Yours faithfully, —
Hamilton
H. C. —

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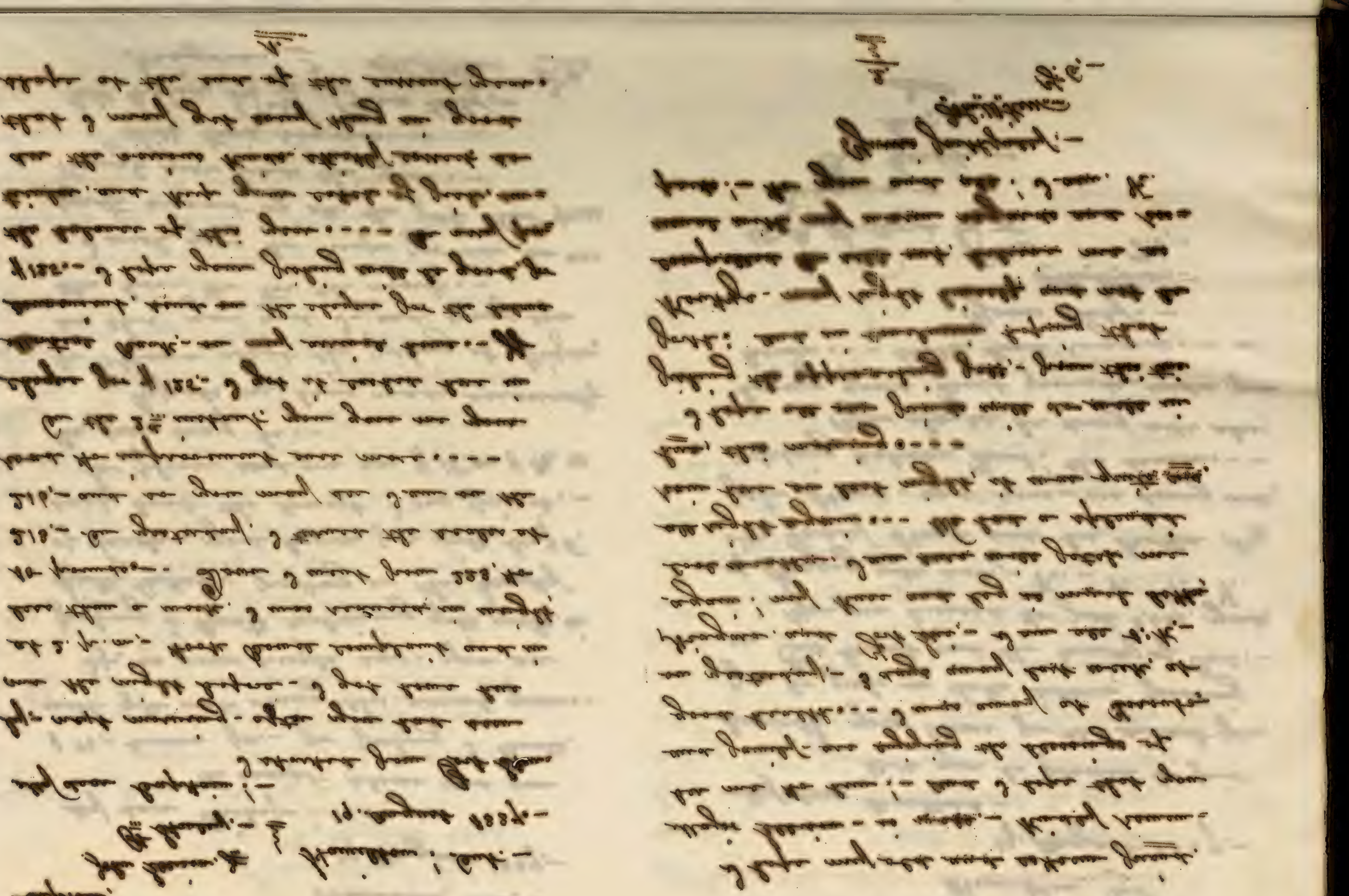


Mr Thomas Mansfield,—
Fishermans Rey:—
Dundarton. P.Office. Hamilton! Ont.—
—Ont.

19. August 1887.—

My dear Mansfield!—

It was usually about this time; "say 20th August, in each year". our friends Mr: Stones and Bro.— commenced fishing at the Rey!:— How is it, this year?— George White, John Crawford and Sol: Wright,— have paid me their licence fees for current year!— Please drop me a line, on receipt, and let me know how matters are getting on with you, and all other fishermen! and if necessary I will come down. — Have any new hands been fishing and breaking the Law, this year at the Rey,— Please print and Whitby,— please let me know.—

I hope you are all enjoying good health.— And with Kind and warm regards,— to you, Mrs and family. Believe me — Yours faithfully. John Wilson
J.W.

Hamilton, Ont,

19. August 1887.—

My dear Rainey,—

This is just running round and turning in,— but as usual your word is no longer worth shucks.— Besides it has been reported to me that you sell your fish,— all to the Yankee fish Company of Buffalo! who have conspired to run down Canadian fishermen in their prices for fish.— I would advise you to pay up your licence on receipt, and by so doing endeavour to stand better with the Fisheries Department, Ottawa.—

Adieu, Yours truly.—
John Wilson
J.W.

J. W. Rainey Esqre
Lion Creek,—
Lake Sim. Ont.

Meine allerliebste.–
Treuestes Herz!–
Entschuldige – Offne Meinetwegen! Herz!–
Herz!

19. August 1857.–

Mein süßes allerliebstes!–

Ich muß wieder schnell eilen Zeile:
Morgen 20 August in acht Tagen" – wir finden
Alle: Schwer zu Herz! – zusammen Pfingsten
at the Hof!: – Was ist, Tiefe Ernst?
Hunger Durst. Pfeife Tabak zur Stel:
Herz!! – Ich freue mich Ihn Heimzugehen
Ihr Sonntag Gott!: – Bleibe auf mir e
Ich, so traurig, und ist es Ihm Ihm
Mutter ein Gottling so mit Ihr, und ich
Ihr Geliebtes! und ich nennen Ihnen
Zeile Ihnen. – Ihre auf mir Herz
Ihr Gottling zur Freiheit Ich Ihr Ich
Ihr at the Hof! – Ihre Geist zur
Allerliebst! – Ihrer Ist zu Ihr. –
Ich hoffe Ihr zu ich zeigen Ihr
Herzlich! – Ich mit Herz zur zu
Morgen! – Ich Ihr, Ihr zur Gemahl. Ich
Ich zu – Ihrer Gottling. Ihrer Ich
Ich.

Meinliebes. Herz!

19. August 1857.–

Mein süßes Herz!–

Ich in Ihr Zeilen Ihnen zur
Zeilen zu. – Ich zu Ihnen Ihr zur zu
zu Morgen mit Ihnen. – Bleiben ich
Ich Ihr Ihnen Gottes Ich zu Ich Ihr zur
Ihr Gott. – zu Ich Ich Gottes Gottes
Ich Ich Ich Ich Ich Ich Ich Ich Ich
Ich Ich Ich Ich Ich Ich Ich Ich Ich
Ich Ich Ich Ich Ich Ich Ich Ich Ich

Wm Johnson Esqre
J. Guardian –
Toronto, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont. –
20. August 1887. –

My dear Sir, –

I have been recently in Toronto, (twice.) I wanted to see you, and let you know, that Messrs Wm Ward, Wm Montgomery and Geo. Duncan Jr. of Toronto Island, have obtained Boat licenses to fish gill nets in Lake Ontario: fronting on the Island and Co: of York.

This fishing is altogether under my personal control. Overseer Hallowell, has been instructed by the Fisheries department, Ottawa! not to interfere with the Toronto Island fisheries any more. – – –

Then again, I may send you the following for your information and guidance.

Yr, –

Copy. –

Ottawa, 10. August 1887.

Sir, –

"Permission has been granted to the Natural History Society of Toronto, to use one seine for the purpose of procuring specimens of fish for the Industrial Exhibition at Toronto, in Humber Bay and Oakbridges Bay. – Lake Ontario."

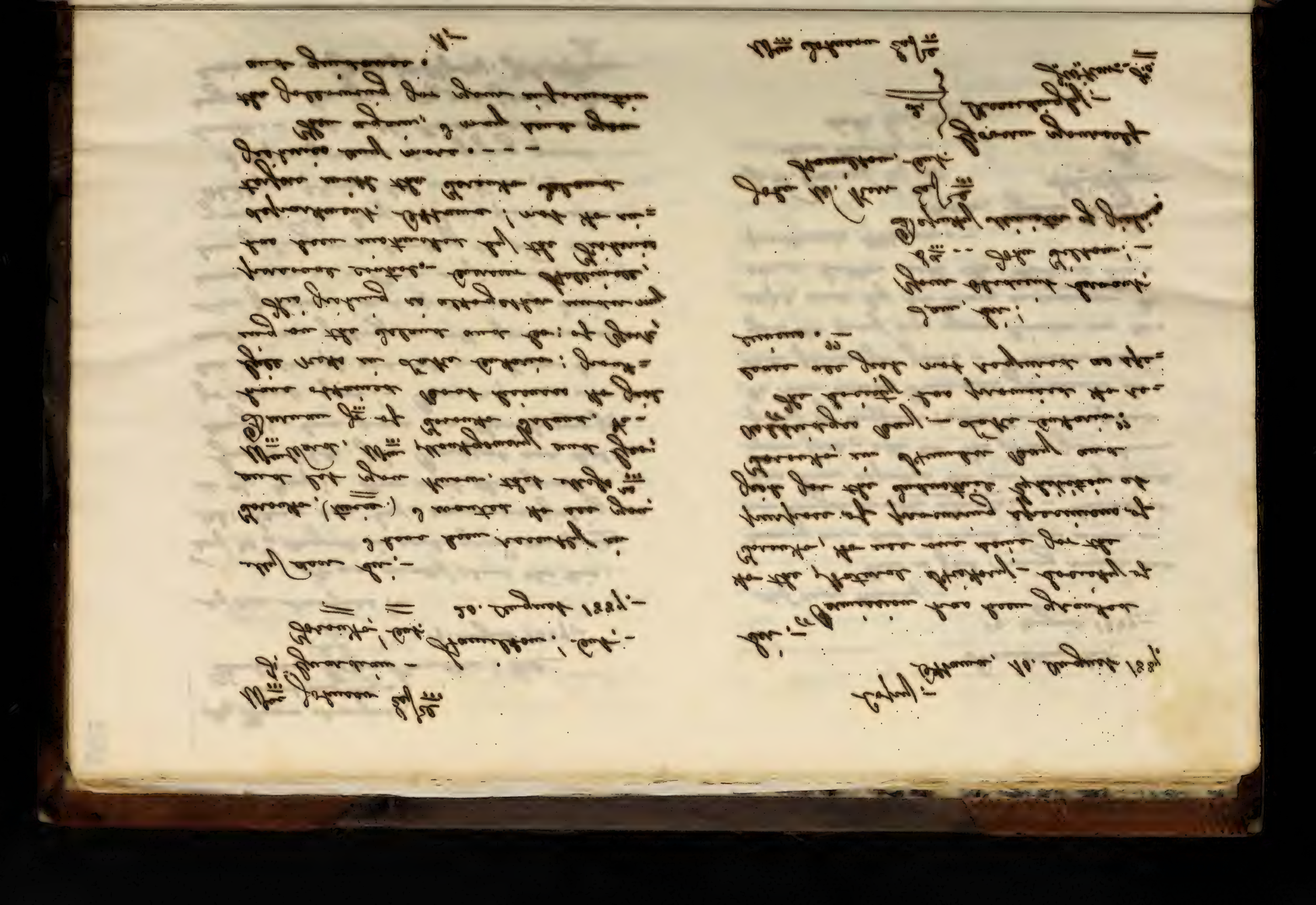
"The Society has promised to release all fish not required as specimens." –

I am, Sir!
Your obedient Servant,
Sd. – John Tilton! –
Deputy Minister of Fisheries.

John W. Kerr Esqre
Hamilton, Ont.

Sir, } Govern yourself accordingly. –
J. Tilton &c.

Wm Johnson Esqre



Hamilton, Ont. –

Sir. – 20. August 1887....

I am in receipt of Captain Peter Price's report to you dated St Williams, August 17. 1887. – giving a detailed statement of what he done in the James L. Duncan case with your instructions that I do officially report to you thereon. –

I have to report, that I consider Mr Price too slow, and not prompt in obeying your order, in this Duncan case. – I will now report facts coming under my own personal observation.

On the 6th of July last, being on Long point Lake Erie; to see Peter Price, on other fishing business by your order, I advised him then to give Duncan back his gill nets money &c. immediately – and I read your order to me, to this effect. – Peter replied Duncan would have to come to him for the Nets. &c.

I told Peter not to stand on any ceremony in the case, but give them up as you had directed.

On the same evening from Port Dover, I took James L. Duncan, Forrestville and I sent him a copy of your Order to me; so that he might know the case to Peter Price. –

That became the as particular that Duncan, should have his order from me, to give back to Duncan, the gill nets, and money, he received for the fish. &c. – Please refer to P.S. – of my report to you of the 8th of July last. –

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries. –
Ottawa! Ont.

Hamilton, Sept. –

Sir, – 20. August 1887. –

I am in receipt of Governor Otto's letter, referred to you under date 4th instant, August 17, 1887, giving a detailed statement of what he does in the James C. Stevens case, with your instructions that I am officially report to you thereon. –

I am to report that I remain, the Sixth Inst., over, and not prompt in obeying your order in this Stevens case. – I will now report briefly covering under my own personal observation. –

On the 5th of July last being on duty with the Sixth, he see Otto Sixth, on other parties Stevens, by your order, I endeavored him that he give Stevens back his gile meta money, immediately, and I gave your order to me to the effect. – Otto replied Stevens would have to come to him for the meta. I told Otto not to return on my Stevens money in the case but give him up as you had directed. –

On the 6th of July last. –

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa. Sept.

On the 6th July last, I also wrote Governor Peter Paris, at St Williams, and I sent him a copy of your order, to deliver back to Jas: L. Duncan, the Boat, the file note, and the money realized by the sale of the Jail. —
Please, report of 12. July last! —

The matters appear to have been a cause of opposition or wrangling between Peter Paris, and James L. Duncan, in this case, from the beginning to this present time! I respectfully recommend, that you will be pleased to put a final stop to all such unseemly conduct. —

On the 27th July last, I wrote Peter Paris, the enclosed letter, Copy No: 1. in reply to a letter I received from him. — His reply thereto, is dated 8th of August instant, and marked No: 2, and is sent you herewith. —

But by letter No: 3, — dated Hamilton, 10th August instant, from Duncan to me, you will learn to my surprise, that it was on Monday the 6th of August instant, "two months and two days," — from the time I first acquainted Peter Paris, to have back Duncan his Boat, Pots and Money, — that he deemed it advisable to do so. — But only then after urgent requests, from me to him on the subject. — —

If after you receive this report you still think it advisable for me to go to St Williams, — see Peter Paris, and James L. Duncan, I will do so! — With due respect. —

I Have the Honor to be,
Sir, —
Your Obedient Servant. —
John W. Kerr. — J. P. —

2. —

On the 6th July last I also wrote Genera-
ter Gen.l at the Rideau, and I sent him a
copy of your letter. He replied that he has:
I assume the Govt. the fair note, and the
money lodged by the order of the Govt. —
Genera report of 12. July last! —

In matters appear to have been a mere
opposition — meaning between the Gen.l and
James & Simon, in this case, you will be
pleasing to this present time! I respectfully
recommend, that you write to Genera to put
a final stop to all such unseemly conduct —
On the 27th July last I wrote the Gen.l the
answer letter, copy wh: I enclose to a the
Honour you in... He replied that in
order 8th of August instant, our matter wh:
are in dust you herewith...
Now by letter wh: I enclose Genera
10th August instant you assure me, you
will have to my surprise, that it was on
allowing the 8th of August instant the Govt
our fair dues?— You the time I first received
the Gen.l, he have had Simon in that
place our allowing, that he cleared it reminded
me — — But only this after August respect
you are to him on the subject. — —
If after you receive this report you will
think it reasonable for me to go to the
Rideau — see the Gen.l, and James & Simon
James &c &c? — Will due respect. —
I have the honor to be,
Sir, —
Your obedient Servant. —
Philip Hone — &c. —
Esq.r —

Copy.— No: 1.—

Hamilton! Ont.—

My dear Peter,— 27th July 1839.—

Your letter of 8th instant, is received, when I saw you at Long Point, on the 15th inst. I read over for you the instructions I had received in the case of James L. Duncan.—

And I advised you then, to give up to Duncan, the Wagon you got note, the Boat, and $6.50 cts. you received for the sale of 26 Bags, you had seized belonging to Duncan, for which a license was issued and paid for on 2nd of April 1837.— I now advise you, on receipt of this letter to go at once and restore to James L. Duncan, the gill note, and the $6.50 cts. you received for the gill.— The Boat it appears you already gave to James L. Duncan's son.—

Don't fail to carry out the orders of the Deputy Minister, Department of Finance,— here is the order, addressed to me, thus:

Copy.—

"You will therefore please on receipt of this "direct Duncan Ross,— to restore Duncan's boat, "note, and $6.50 cts. cash, the money, realized "from the sale of the gill, and deliver the "amended license herewith after countersigning "it."— Now I see again it is very easy for you to deliver to Duncan all these things, and just a few words to the gentleman Minister.— John Wilson Esqre. Deputy Minister, orders it, and for the 5th time I serve you, on honour, let you instantly obey the order, and give back everything to Duncan.—

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] 1850 —

[illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] is [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Hamilton, Ont. —
27. August 1887. —

My dear Sir, —

I am getting a sketch made of the Fishway — for Mr. Moore, with Bill of material, &c. — It will be ready by monday next. —

I will report today that you and I have thought it advisable to build the fish way at Hunter's Mill, in the flume, and in Moore's dam, — the change is from the dam to the Mill Race, — so as to be protected from the violence of Spring freshets with Mountains of Ice. — I want the Department, to sanction the change. —

And with kind regards to you and yours; believe me, Yours faithfully.

Peter McCann Esqre
London, Ont.

J. Kirkpatrick
C.E.

Copy this letter to Mr. Williams
Ont.

On the 5th July, instant, the same day, the same, I sent you a long report, I sent you a sketch, the same, the dates up
I am, this morning, a very simple thing you to do, it is not the bite for you get the stony the dates up
for the stony ice mass go
for the fish ice mass go the fishwaiz expire
Receipt of this letter, you back my
the James L. Thomson
with Mr. Moore, you don't fail, and
Mr. Moore, the you and you
Mr. Moore, not
Mr. Moore, Esq.
London, Ont.
Yours truly
J. Kirkpatrick
C.E.

S.O. Quartr Mast Genl, Hamilton! – Oct –
K. K. K. – 21st August 1862.

My dear friend! –

Your kind general letter, I am glad to learn that your official business in the City, taken altogether has proved to you a nice time, and I hope a good needed rest as well. "You deserve well from the Nation and the Government, – for your long valuable and faithful services!" –

I send you to day, as requested my report on Chas Cline, and his alleged movements in James L. Duncan case. – It is surprising to me to see and witness how Commis Sharp and Price act. –

While you were away, I took a run up to Mr Burnett and Stanley. –

I wished to find out how it was, that Jackson should report me any how! – Jackson reply was, – Sharp, in excusing himself, for not obtaining a licence

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to gift his friends, – blamed me for his only getting a licence for the gift of friends. – Then again, Sharp, seems resented the loss of the Township of Houghton, – Dickinson – for a licence to gift. – Jackson distance about 1½ miles, when Jackson, assures Sharp that is a thing this licence; the double dealer Sharp, has no other excuse, but to tell Jackson it was Mr, that got Dickinson, the licence. – Well of course you all, and particularly you, know there was no truth in Sharp nor Jackson's false excuse. – I don't know Dickinson, never saw the man in my life – but have since learned who he is! –

Dickinson did not want the gift, to be loaded over the licence to Henry Hy, and so they – declined the gift, in the space allotted for Dickinson's ground in Lake Sup, that they might have

2.

[illegible]

[illegible] 21 August 1859.

my dear Jenny :-

When this comes reasoning
from you that it does what your opinion
business in the City, I often ponder
for yours & you & mine thence, and
I hope & your mother feel as much
When occasions make you the Children
and the Immense - & your dear
[illegible] and [illegible] reasons.

I know you & they are responsible my
report to Mr Chas. and his also merry
made in Jenny's Summer eve. It is
surprising to me & see our mothers
how Germans Hurry our Chas. but.-
Which you were sorry I had a time
up & the Summer and Holy. --
I make & point out how it was, that
Jenny should report me my Jew. !-
Jenny reply was. - Hurry, in excuse
my himself, for not obtaining a leave

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Jackson and Rosa. giddy! - the
space between them being too short for
a full Dictionary page. - I
have the assurance of Mr. Long, that the
page after the Dinner is quite fair, will
not be giddy this evening. - - - -

Jackson knew all this, when he made
his polite request. - It must be Jackson!
Do you Mr. Sharp, see his motives?
that I think he has no. has any, but Mr.
Sharp does; his proposal is very likely
to you as his object in the giddy is ex-
ternal! - leaves you Jackson & Mr.
Pitt. - but does he the tendency his
between Doughton and Charlton, as not
to give Long and Long, one night of a
benefit. to the 5th time proves that
Jackson, has not, in Little his, placed
of little Mary; from 1. to 14, there is a
space of separate of four months. -
The more extension the space is be-
tween the Second note, when not in the

Little, the more extension the note of
giddiness. Sharp, has made nothing to
the Jackson department? you show to
receive. Dear Pattie! know for 4th
no you show to get 4 6. for Dictionary
page; which will not be giddy at all
this evening! - You see, Sharp, may
just as I do; that Dear Sharp, has no
business whatever in getting matters. -
There is space sufficient for the 6th
page not, while Jackson knows little
between 10 & 14, getting in Doughton, in
Little his. - The fact is we you should
know it, Jackson, has caught some giddi-
ness of pounds. show Long Mr. and Long
and Mary - Long caught with 8 pounds
note, and, during this evening! - he was
a member, flying report and a disgrace
the Sharp and Jackson. he attempt to
gratify my reputation! see for himself
note. - My name is the golden attempt
that Dear was my. - for 7th Long gave

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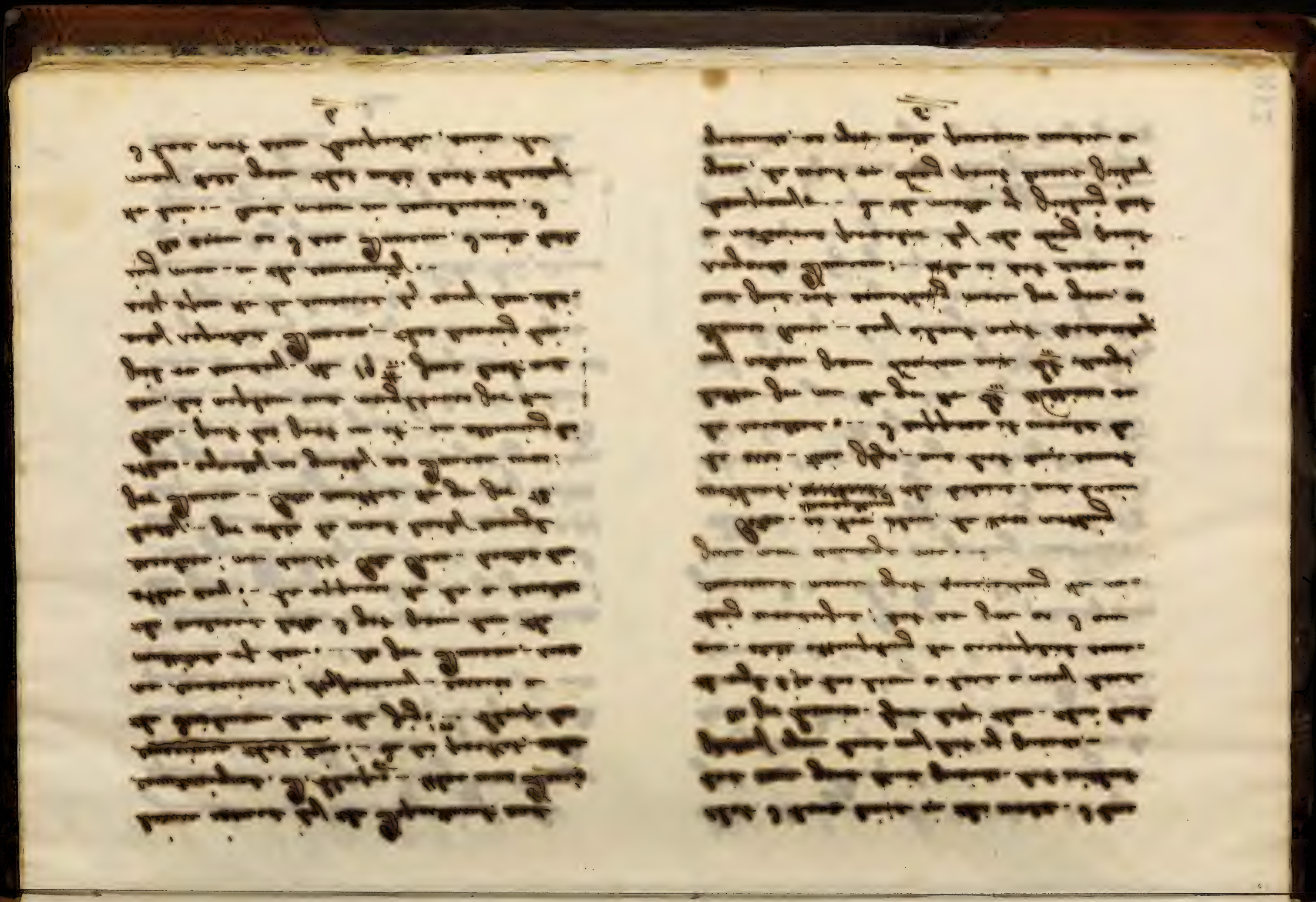
[illegible] commence by the Department and [illegible]. Mr. Mary — Where was Mr. [illegible] [illegible] that day? — In this position, when the Prisoner has the Jig!ne. Mary has no [illegible]; Deposition — [illegible] [illegible] of this. — Do you Duncan, [illegible] the [illegible] letter I got from him the other day? — He appears to be a [illegible] [illegible]: no doubt Mr. Orr. — [illegible] [illegible] — you state he was [illegible] enough for Duncan. — Orr neither to go for the other — equally as guilty as Duncan was: Orr — put his foot in it — in attempting his [illegible], his explosion was [illegible] for the girl on Monday, the 19th. June last, was entirely regretted Duncan, — thus having himself open to be removed by every [illegible] [illegible] — in the neighbourhood. —

As soon as I saw Duncan, I spoke [illegible] to him. — [illegible] in conclusion, I may tell you that until that Monday I had not seen Duncan, since he

that I have taken up this matter. I have been upon this question, but without finding upon them any trace of guilt. —

Do you remember, you keep them — that that night I go has been a [illegible] [illegible] — that attempting to accomplish something [illegible]; but as you see I am [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] you [illegible] [illegible]. —

Orr — as I say, then, he was nothing without, [illegible] the [illegible] — and [illegible] [illegible] — this Jig — and that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. I suppose it would be better for me to go to the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] — any [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] regards Duncan: — [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] — [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]



the Carpenter, the Lumber-man, & the
painter. — I write write you as partic-
ularly — You say — hoping you are
enjoying good health, &c. — [illegible]
[illegible] I may assure you I am enjoying
good health, thank God for it. I am happy in your health — but my
health is impaired very much — I hope the
rest of morning our night will benefit
I apply nothing else! — I feel as though
I have overcome it totally, my leg was
painful, I have the pain it off again.
My sons are attending I write them to
write again: I will close for this
merely one thinking of me. —

When I left Fort Lee — I met
a Miss Gill — company in Paterson,
was gamed last June with a lapse
of $100,000 — $50,000 paid down for the
sum the price of gill [illegible] mr.
Lumsden — Gilman — Esq. L. of Lee,
of Paterson, large county also the gill

relative your Cabinet. I have very
also met Mr. — with the Deputy and the
Gill: about the question of mine the
will never interfere by with Mr. Deputy
or the present Minister of finance to the
place. — I write write you fully on the
subject matter here. — I am not engag-
ed the Country subject. It was stated
by the Deputy — and I charge his name.
But I have no guilt in his country.
I have less now than ever I had,
after leaving Carpenter. I am in no
way disappointed, whatever; what I may
expect. — I am disappointed to me.
While Gill Lee left — my home
home without the do me a great kind
act, a second time — I have no doubt
that he would do so, so soon after
getting $100,— last year. — I must ask
indulgence with the expense paying this
I get recompensed through your kindness
from the Department. — This was partly

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Hamilton! - Ont. -
22. August 1887. -

My dear Sir. -

I see in the Hamilton Newspaper, Toronto, that persons are employed by the Board of Health, collecting all the Garbage in the Island; and dumping it into Lake Ontario, on the your fishing grounds fronting on Toronto Island - polluting the waters and damaging and injuring your fisheries, in contravention of the fisheries Act.

On receipt please see George Duncan Jr. and Wm. Montgomery, and let them find out for me the names of the persons employed, and we will prosecute them. - -

Dont fail to do this. -

Yours faithfully, -

Wm. Ware Esq. } John Phillips. -
Toronto Island. } - &c. -

Hamilton! Ont. -
25th August 1887. -

My dear Sir. -

Yours of the 23rd instant has been duly received. - -

And in reply I beg to inform you that I submitted your Petition to The Hon. The Minister of Marine and Fisheries, - Ottawa! - for his consideration, approval and adoption. -

I recommended that the prayer of the Petitioners may be granted, as per section 15, of the Fisheries Act, as soon as possible, so as to come into operation on the 1st September next: - as per plan attached to the Petition. -

The waters referred to therein being all well stock stocked with speckled trout! - needed protection!!. -

Yours respectfully,

L. St. Brown Esq. } John W. Harris
M.D. &c. &c. &c. } Fishery Overseer.
Woodstock, Ont.

Memo: for S. O. Annual Report.
Fisheries department.-
Ottawa! Oct,-

In reading over Peter Ouimet's report, I find he appears the fish notes, and 6.00 to James Duncan, and he refused to take them, unless compensated for his services.- Peter, you will observe has omitted the date! when he done so!!- Duncan's letter also: 8,- he can supplies this information! and Peter's letter No: 2- dated 8. Augt instructs James Duncan expressly not to take the notes and money back except compensation.- Just as you remark- Peter has no one to blame but himself and his Fisheries.-

I enclose him strongly all this the whole business- but you never it was no use.-

I enclosed this letter to me of the 8th instant.....

(1.)

He was when Peter Ouimet represents as Long point Company men, are not Long point Company's men at all:- please give their names in my report to the Deputy dated 28th of June last.- They are his own relations and personal friends.-

Yours respectfully,-
Hamilton: Ont. D. H. McKenzie
22. August 1887.- Esq.

O. S.

I am off to London and the Homes- today, home on Thursday, and ready to go to Mt Williams next day, if you say so!- on the the Rocky Mountains!! J. McKenzie for the matter of that!!- D.O.

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Hamilton, Ont.—
24. August 1887.—

Sir.—

I have the honor to send you Bank draft No: 342 for the sum of Eleven Dollars.—

Will you be pleased to apply this amount for this current year as follows:— Viz:

1. Daniel Elliott.— Port Burwell.— For a Boat license to fish 2,000. Yards of 3½" inch mesh, gill nets in Lake Erie; fronting on the Township of Raynham; for to catch Herring and Chickens, during this current year of 1887.— $5.00.—

2. Robert John Allan. Niagara; For a Boat license to fish 2,000. Yards of 3½" inch mesh Herring and Cisco gill nets.— in Lake Ontario between Kennedy's Hollow and the Ten Mile Creek; fronting on the Town of Niagara, Townships of Niagara and , during this current year of 1887.— Amount $5.00.—

3. Robert John Allan, Niagara;— For a fine imposed by me on oath on the said Allan;— for having in his possession at Niagara on the 18th May last, a Maskinonge, just recently caught, in contravention of the Fisheries Act.— Amount,.. $1.00.—

Total. $11.00.—

I have the Honor to be.—
Sir.—
Your Obedient Servant.—
Phillip Hare.—
Fishery Overseer.—

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,—
Ottawa, Ont.—

Treasurer's Dept.

24. August 1887.

I have the honor to send you herewith No: 342 for the sum of Eleven dollars.

Will you be pleased to apply the amount for this current year as follows:

1. Annual Rights. Det Summer. Ole e Deest Kiesse to fast 2.000 Pfunds of 3½" weld mesh gate made in cloth line; fencing on the township of Darlham; for to extent claiming our Contract during the current year of 1887 . . . $7.00

2. Robert John Allen, Arrington. Ole e Deest Kiesse to fast 2.000 Pfunds of 3½" weld mesh fencing and line gate made in cloth between township of Allen and the Cloth line; fencing on the Town of Arrington, township of Arrington and

this current year of 1887 amount $5.00

3. Robert John Allen, Arrington: - Ole e Gate supplied by me on road on the East Allen - for fencing in his possession at Arrington on the 18th day last a attestings, just recently supplied in continuation of the Contract det. amount . . $1.00

Total. $13.00

I have the honor to be.

&c.

Your obedient Servant

Treasurer

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Finance.
Ottawa, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.—

24. August 1887.—

Sir.—

I have the honor to submit for your consideration, approval and adoption a Petition to, The Honorable, The Minister of Marine and Fisheries, of the Dominion of Canada:—

From L: H. Swan Esqre. M.D. and twelve others, of the Town of Woodstock, in the County of Oxford:

Praying that certain waters situated in the Townships of East, and West Oxford, their property; be set apart for the natural or artificial propagation of fish; I recommend Speckled trout." as per plan attached to the said Petition.... I am personally acquainted with several of the Petitioners, who are persons of means.

I respectfully recommend that the prayer of the Petitioners may be granted; as per section 15. of the Fisheries Act, as soon as possible, so as to come into operation on the 1st September next,

The places are all well stocked with speckled trout at present.

Respectfully submitted:—

Thos. Walker.—

Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa, Ont.—

Hamilton, Sept —

Sir —

24. August 1847. —

I have the honor to submit for your consideration, approved our adoption & petition to the Honorable, the Ministers of finance and Marine, of the Dominion of Canada :—

Have &c: H. Lemon Capt. all. Sail. and Owners of the Town of Hamilton. in the County of Gaspé :

Praying that certain matters situated in the township of East and West Gaspé, than property; be set apart for the protection or artificial propagation of fish; "Recommend apart for that" as per plan attached to the said petition . . . . Have personally complained with several of the petitioners, who are persons of means.

I respectfully recommend that the prayer of the petitioners may be granted: as per section 15. of the Fishery Act, as soon as practicable, so as to cause such operation on the 1st September next.

The plans are all made altogether with apparent at present.

Respectfully submitted :—

Chas. Alleyne —

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Marine.
Ottawa, Sept —

Fishery Officer.

Hamilton! Ont.-
27. August 1887.-

Dear Sir.-

I wrote Mr. Wm. Ward, on the 22nd. instant telling him that the waters of Lake Ontario, was being polluted, by collecting all the Garbage on Toronto Island; and dumping the same therein about two miles out from the crib and pipe of Water works- and that you have been employed by Doctor Hamiff. of the Board of Health, and the Mayor of Toronto; to engage in, and commit a Contravention of the Fisheries Act'. Refer the sub section 2, of section 14. of the Fisheries Act.

You must instantly stop putting the filthy poisonous stuff into the waters of Lake Ontario, and on your own licensed fishing ground.- -

The Mayor of Toronto if he has done so! nor Dr. Hamiff. of the Board of Health. City of Toronto, cannot override an Act of Parliament.

I would advise you therefore to stop dumping said poisonous matter, into Lake Ontario on receipt of this letter.-

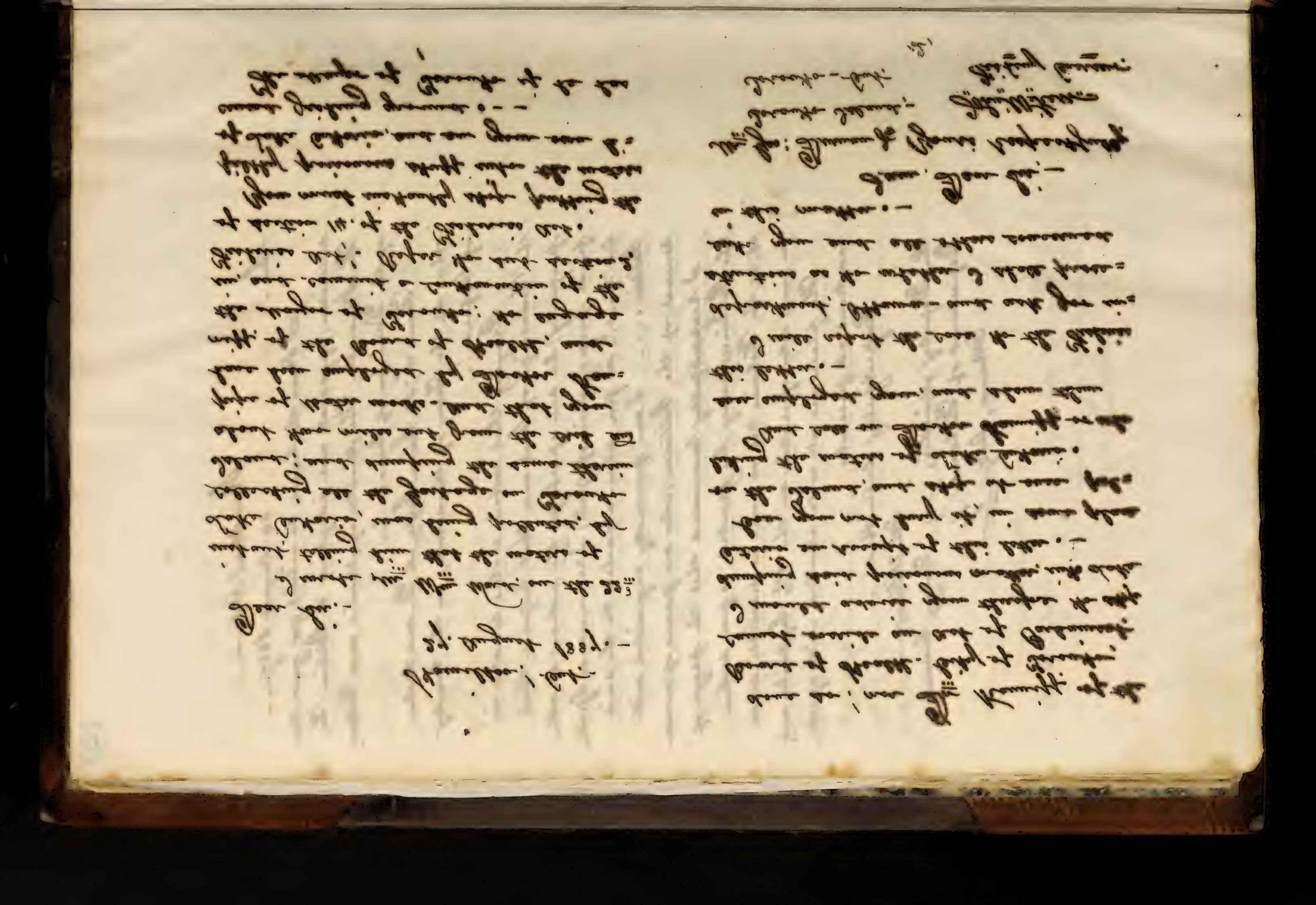
Can you not bury it, in some place on the Island, and stop at once polluting the waters of Lake Ontario.

And call on Doctor Hamiff, or who ever employed you, and show them this letter.-

I will report the case to the Fisheries department, Ottawa- and ask for instructions as to whether I shall prosecute you and all others concerned in this matter.-

I am, Dear Sir,-

Mr. Geo: Duncan & Yours Respectfully,
Toronto Island,- John Wilkes
Toronto- Ont, Fishery Overseer.



Copy.-

4. Main Street, East.-
Hamilton, 27. August 1887.

Bill of timber for Fishway at J. D Moores, Mill Race.- North Branch of the River Thames, near St Mary's,- in the Township of Blanchard.- To be constructed so as to connect the Main Branch North.- River Thames,- with the Mill Race,- close to the sluice gates! Township of Blanchard.

No: -	Particulars: Materials &c.	Superficial Feet,-	Length.	Size,	Feet B: M.-
1.	Sill	"	9'. 6".	8x10.	64.
5.	----	"	9'. 6".-	8x10.	320.-
2.	Posts,-	"	5'x6".-	6'x10'	55.-
2.	-"-	"	6x0.	6'x10."	60.-
2.	-"-	"	6'. 6"	6'x10.-	65.-
2.	-"-	"	7'. 0."	6'x10."	70.-
2.	-"-	"	7'. 0."	6'x10."	70.-
6.	Braces,-	"	9'. 0."	6'x8".	216.-
2.	-"-	"	31'. 6".-	3'. 6".-	93.
5.	Buckets,-		8'. 00".	3'x24"	240.-
	Flooring, 24'. 0"x 6'. 0"x 0. 8" thick	144'-			864.-
	Lead.- 9'. 0".x 7'. 0".- x 0. 6".-	63.			378.
	-"- 4'. 6"x 7'. 00".x 0'. 6".-	31½			189.-
2.	Sides,- 24. 0"x 4'. 8"x 0'. 6".-	192.			1224.-
2.	Angle sides, 6'. 0".- x 2'. 6"x 0'. 6".-	30.			180.
	Cap. 31'. 0"x 9'. 00 x 0'. 2".-	279.			558
	Total,-	"	"	"	4.646.

Hamilton; Ont.-
26th August 1887.
J W Kerr.- J.P.

Engineer.-
Thos: Smyth Bell.
Civil Engineer.-

Report.-

4. Allen Street, East.-

Monmouth, 27. August 1837.

Bill of timber for Chimney at J. C. Allen, while been.- North Tunnel of the River Thames, near the Township of Bloomsbury.- To be constructed so as to con=vert the Allen Tunnel North" River Thames, with the River.- Close to the above spot.' Township of Bloomsbury.

No.:	Particulars: Materials &c.	Length Breadth Depth	Superficial Feet	Rate	Cost £ s. d.
1.	Sills	"	9' 6"	8x4	64.
6.	---	"	9' 6"	8x10	320.-
2.	Posts.-	"	7'x 6"	6x10	52.-
2.	---	"	6x 0.	6x10"	60.-
2.	---	"	6' 6"	6x10"	65.-
2.	---	"	7' 0"	6x10"	70.-
2.	---	"	7' 0"	6x10"	70.-
6.	Braces.-	"	9' 0"	6x3"	216.-
2.	---	"	31' 0"	3' 6"	93.
6.	Sumbrella.-		8' 00"	3x24"	240.-
	Planking. 24' 0" x 6' 0" x 0. 6" thick	144			864.-
	Sweep.- 9' 0" x 7' 6" x 0. 6"	63.			378.
	--- 4' 6" x 7' 00" x 0. 6"	31½			189.-
2.	Lining.- 24' 0" x 4' 3" x 0. 6"	102.			122 4.-
2.	Double braces. 6' 4" x 2. 6" x 0. 6"	30.			180.
	Sap. 31' 0" x 9' 00" x 0. 3"	279.			558
	Carried	"	"	"	4,614.

Monmouth: Sept.

26th August 1837.

William.- 6' 0.

Allen: Length Bill.

Bridge Chimney.-

Hamilton! Ont.
27. August 1857.

My dear Sir, —

I send you Plan and a Bill of timber for the Moira Railway. He will be able to get along now; — and you can go on and send it to him at once. — I get everything laid down nicely — and correct, so that you may understand it. — The sluice gate at the upper end of the Railway, you will have to regulate as to size, and dimensions yourselves. —

With warm regards, &c. — &c.

I am,
Yours faithfully, —
John Ker.

Peter McLean Esq.
Railway Engineer,
London,
Ont. —

Moira: for S. O. Burnet Esq.
Crown Department, —
Ottawa! Ont. —

Your Moira; received! the application of the 12th instant, is for another Pound Net License!!. I received the License of 29th of April last, and delivered it, after I countersigned it. . . .

A single Pound Net, does not amount to much, while 2 Pounds, — when properly fished pay. —

There is no ground net nearer to Point Abino, than 1st in Lake Erie; than Hamilton Bay, — which is about 26 miles, away up the Lake. —

I recommend this second Pound net license, to be granted to Wm. Scott, township of Bertie, — for this current year. —

I am, Sir, —
Your Obedient Servt.
John Ker.
J.O.

Hamilton, Ont.
27. August 1857.

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Hamilton: Ont. –
30. August 1889. ---

Sir. --

With reference to the improvement and change required to be made in the Fishway in Messrs Charles and John Hunts, Mill dam of the City of London; on the south branch of the River Thames. --

I have to report that by removing the present worthless fishway from this dam, and substituting a new fishway - in its place - would be attended with too much risk, and expense. --- After a consultation with Hunt, Brothers, - Coursar - Peter McCann and myself, in order to avoid and run no risk and keep the Department harmless. -

We have come to the conclusion to let the old fishway remain on the Dam as a stay and protection; and to build a New fishway, so as to admit the fish when ascending the south branch of the River Thames, at London, - to pass up the River, through the Mill Flume, and thereby avoid risk, loss, and damage: or injury of any kind to the present Dam. - This matter is submitted for your information and approval. -

When recently in London, I called on Colonel James Shanley, and again renewed my acquaintance of 36 years ago. - He is deeply interested in these Fishways and dams. - Talked about you and received me very Cordially. -- Respectfully submitted. -

John W. Kerr. -
Fishery Overseer.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa, Ont.

Hamilton: Sept.

Sir,— 30. August 1879.—

With reference to the engagement and change requested to be made in the Chelsea in which Mr Holden and John Hunt, which do the duty of director, on the death thereof of the Lion Chelsea.—

I have to report that by removing the present worthless pickney from this class, and substituting a other pickney in his place, would be attended with the most happy and approved.— After a consultation with Hunt, Brothers, Farmer, Gates, Mr Clem and myself, in order to avoid and have no fair and keep the apprentices themselves.—

We have come to the conclusion to let the old pickney remain in the class as a pony and apprentice; and to build a new pickney, so as to admit the first order consuming the health thereof of the Lion Chelsea at London.— To prove my the Lion, through the white Chelsea, and thereby avoid health, loss, and damage: in injury of any blame to the present class.— This another is authority that you approbation and approved.—

Mine respectfully in London, I remain to Lionel James Hamilton and express respect my acquaintance of 36 years ago.— He is deeply interested in their Chelsea and class.— Hoping about you and respect in my family.— Respectfully subscribed.—

The Deputy Minister
Department of Chelsea.

Hamilton Lionel
Hamilton: Esq.

Hamilton, Ont. –
30. August 1887...

Sir. –

I have to report that after a close inspection of Mr. J. D. Moor's Mill dam, on the "North Branch" of River Thames, in the township of Blanchard, near the Town of St. Marys – made by Overseer Peter McCann and me. – –

I have come to the conclusion to build the Fishway 30' feet long, with 5 buckets; so that the fish could ascend the same, and enter the Mill Race – about Ten feet from the Sluice gates which admit the water always plentifully to the Mill. – Above this mill dam, which is all built of stone, the River is wide, and for a distance of a quarter of a Mile – the Ice at the breaking up of spring sweeps everything before it, so that no fishway constructed in the dam could resist its force and pressure. – The fact is this dam is demolished every spring. – – To avoid all this, the change is made. – – I got a sketch up and a bill of timber and mailed same to Peter McCann, for the guidance of Mr. Moore, who is pleased at the change. –

In all respects the fishway will be the same as the Model – and with a sluice gate raised will be always in working order, and protected at the same time. –

Submitted and recommended for your information and approval. –

The Deputy Minister,
&c. &c. &c Ottawa.

Thos W Kerr. –
Fishery Overseer.

Hamilton, Sept. -

Sir. - 30. August 1847. --

I have to report that after a close inspection of Mr. J. Allen's mills down on the North Branch - of River Thames, in the township of Blanchard, near the town of St. Marys - made by George Peter McKenzie, and me. ---

I have come to the conclusion to build the Dishwasher 30 feet long, with 5 buckets: so that the first week ce = cant the same, must bother the miller Mr. about the 4th from the Mill - without paying the miller. Then the mill dam, raised in all built of stone, the Dam is made, must for a distance of a quarter of a mile - the dee at the bottom up of spring keeps everything depose it, so that no fishway constructed in the dam could hinder the fish over pleasure. The fact is this dam is ab = solutely our spring. -- To remove all this the change is made. -- I put a stated up must a bill of timber and make dam to Peter McKenzie for the guidance of Mr. Allen, who is pleased at the change. -

In all respects the fishway made to the dam as the miller - must with a dam gate must make the change in nothing order and practical at the same time. —

Therefore not recommended for your information and approval. —

The Honorable Minister, Attwood. —

W. H. H. Allen. Fishery Inspector.

Private

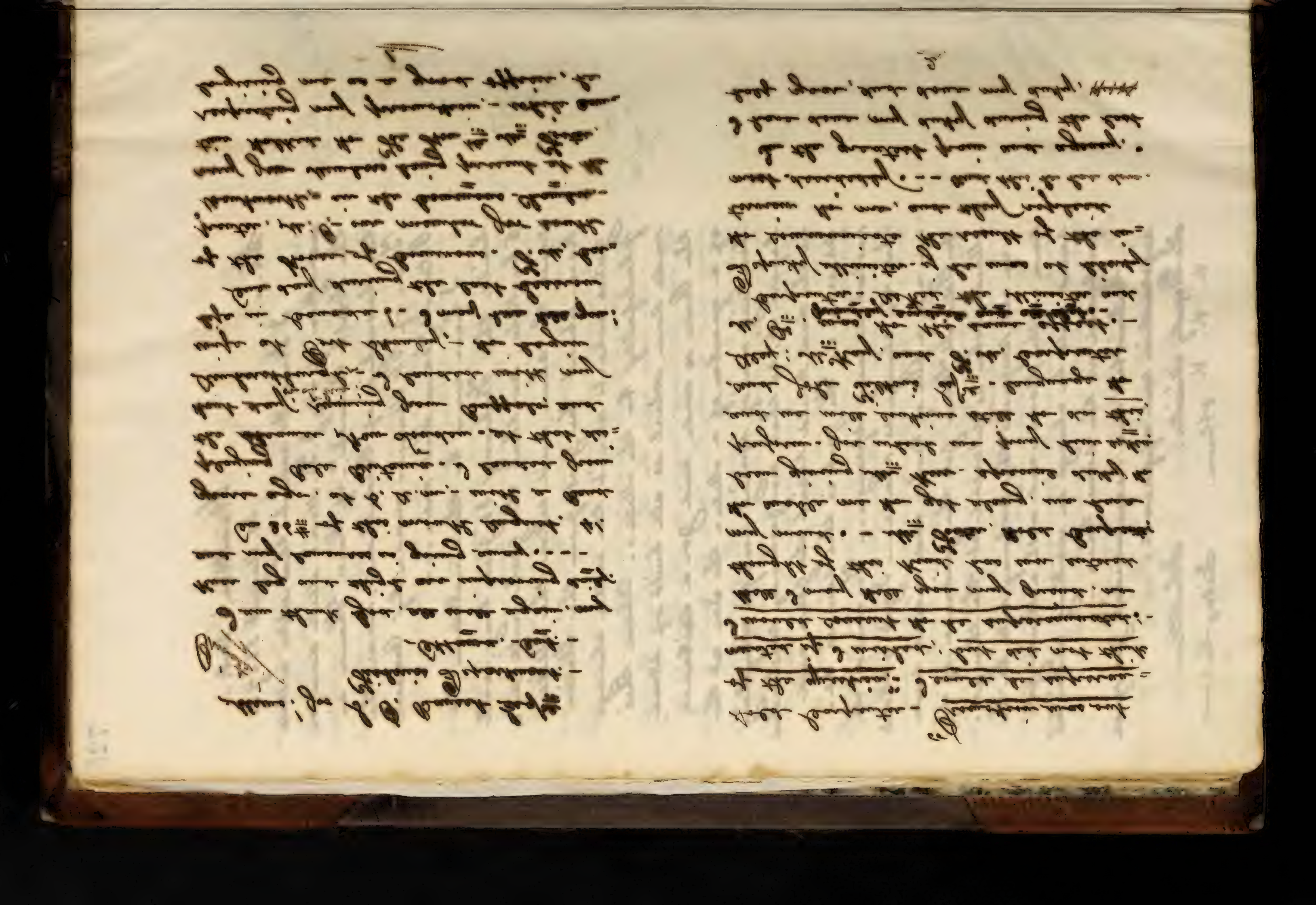
Messrs! Jos S. P. Bennet Esqre
Fisheries Department. -
-Ottawa. -Ont. -

I am thank God, all well again, my knee leg and thigh are improving daily, and my lameness is going away. - - -

On 26th of this month August. 41. years ago, at 6. A.m. - with a Band playing Rule Britania. I landed from the Steamer New London - at that distant day, returning from Buffalo, and Amherstburgh, - I landed with my wife at Port Stanley, - to begin life in Canada! - I may then tell you!

One day during the last Session of the House of Commons. F. A. Carpenter, Esq: M.P. - our member for South Huntingdon, in the Commons Chamber - many from Members being present at the time talked to the Hon. Mr. Foster, respecting my promotion, - while complimenting me as a good officer, he told Carpenter - "promotion was out of the question." I could be superannuated if I wished; but did not think I would consent to be superannuated! - Well I may tell you my friend, no thought of this kind has ever entered my mind. - Mr. Foster, told Carpenter, to enable me to get along, we have been giving Mr. Kerr - special duty to perform - for which we pay him extra - and we will continue still to do this, and John Tilton's Esqre - language to Alex: McKay, and F. A. Carpenter A. P. M. was to the same effect. - ~~friendly and kind out of doors.~~ - Carpenter - Asked the Minister and Deputy Minister - if he was at liberty to communicate the result of the interview to me, and they replied most decidedly. - - And this he has done.

In the greatest pain and agony, I have done my duty during the last half year, and done my duty,



I hope to the satisfaction of the department - with the Tendons and sinews scrapped - by a Gale on the Ice, when on duty - And I travelled 4,596, miles during my infirmity! - I always earn my pay, - and I have never sick or well asked for a Holiday. -

The application did not originate with me - I was advised to it by Mr. Tilton, and carried out his orders, if the thing originated with me, I would succeed; and I may give you my candid opinion, that had I recommend the appointment of Inspector of Fisheries for Ontario, not a single M.P. of the present House of Commons, would object to the appointment. -

I have always worked hard, having in view such an appointment, and God at the same time has been pleased to prolong my days for some other purpose of his own. -

I have nothing to complain of as regards my health. -

I have always endeavoured to learn and labour duly to get my own living and do my duty in that state of life (as a Fishery Overseer) to which God has been pleased to call me. - -

In this position I stand, content and happy! with my recent affliction (very severe Gale on last winter) Ice, passing away. -

Send now my friend of nearly 28 years standing. how much I owe you. for the happy frame of mind, I enjoy - God alone knows! - along you and yours enjoy happiness peace and comfort always. - It is good to be afflicted. —

Yours sincerely.

Hamilton, Ont. and faithfully. -

30, August 1887. John Walker F.O.

P.S. - I want 24 of these Journal Close Season Cards and letter Book, when ready. - J.W.K.

I hope to the satisfaction of the
department - with the Gentlemen and
some support - for I feel as the idea
when a study - that I remember 1850,
made during my superintendence. I always
have my fear - and I have never
said a word rather for Gilchrist -

The application did not recommend
itself to me - I was ashamed to ask for
the Gilchrist, and turned out the whole
if the thing originated with me, I
would successfully; and I may pass for
my honest opinion, that that I re-
cent the appointment of Gilchrist
of Gilchrist for Gilchrist, not a single
of G. of the present time of Gilchrist
would right to the appointment. -

I have always matter that, having
in mind such an appointment and
that at the same time to have
planned to produce my change for
some person purpose of the new. -

I have nothing to complain of
as regards my health. -

I have always endeavoured to have
and believe that I get my own living
and do my duty in that state, as a
Gilchrist (Gilchrist) the author that the
have planned to call me. - -

In this position I cannot continue
happy; with my present application
from a - some feel on that matter
the happiness - and. -

But now my point of merely
23 years absence. Now need I see
you. For the happy year of merit,
I enjoy - for other times - what
you and yours enjoy happiness
year and happy always. - All is
your to be application. —

Yours affect sincerely.
Hamilton, Esq. and Gilchrist. —

30. August 1857. — Gilchrist Esq.
G.G. - I cannot say of other Gentlemen
the Gilchrist and other Gilchrist, author-ship. — Yours

Hamilton! Ont.
31. August 1887.-

Mrs C. Gunsell.
Esplanade.- Boat House.
Toronto:-

Yours received. I have seen my friend the Lawyer here and I explained everything of your case to him.-
And he tells me you can recover damages against him- for Trespass-
Rodgers could not shut you in and damage and injure your business- as he has done, while receiving rent from you as his Tenant in occupation and possession of the premises at the same time.-

And more than that, you are still in full possession of the Boat House- and premises.-
My advice to you is wait now, a little longer- all the others will receive Notices to quit or leave

and then it will be time for you to go and see Doctor McMichael.-
But endeavour to get the Copy of Keith's lease- to your late Husband John Gunsell,- Do this and your case is a good one.- It is so much in your favour that Mr Rodgers is an Alderman: he has no right whatever to step up the entrance from the Bay to your Boat House- and thereby deprive you of your honest means of living- For by his filthy striking proceedings- he has driven away your Customers and damaged and injured you to the extent of $800.- or whatever it may be.--

All the other Boat House people will get notice to leave- look out for this and let me know, and I will advise you! dont yield or admit anything to Rodgers.- Your friend.-
"Phil O'Keefe."-

Hamilton! Sat.

31. Dec.mber 1837.-

My dear John.

Indemnate. Best thanks.

Accepted.-

Your message. I have been most pleased the charge has not I apprehend anything of your see to him.-

But he tells me you are threatening damages against him. For slanderous Rodgers answer not what you in and damage and injure your business. as he has done, while remaining just from you as his servant in expectation and possession of the premises at the same time.-

But were then that, you are aware in your possession of the Best House, and premises.-

Why admire to you as usual every a little longer. see the actions with reasonable Motives to quit or leave

and then it will be time for you to go out see Master all thinkers.-

But unknown to yet the joy of Mirth here. to your date otherwise John Summer. Take this out your face is a good one.- It is as usual in your power that the Rodgers is an Idiotism: he has no right into see it off of the entrance from the Best to your Best House. and thus by claiming you of your Honest means of living. for by the Wilful instituting proceedings. he has shown every your enthusiasm and damage and injure you to the extent of £ 800.- or what ever it may be.-

See the other Best House people will yet notice he leave. but out for this and let me know and this notice you! Best wishes a-adieu any thing to Rodgers. Your friend.-

Hamilton.

Hamilton! Ont.
1st Sept. 1887.

My dear Captain,—

Yours of 30th ultimo received! So far as I am concerned, I am with you in the Koutze case: and as soon as you complete the purchase, get from Koutze his license for this current year, and send it to me and I will send it down to the Fisheries Department, and I will recommend that it be at once transferred to you so that you may fish out the said license during the months of September and October.—

With kind and warm regards to you and yours!—Yr.

Believe me Yours faithfully,—
Capt: Has: Thompson, Ot. Bruce, Ont.
J. Phillips.
J.P.

P.S.

About next year, you are aware that at such a distant date, I could promise nothing!—but having secured the 2. Pounds, and fished them for the balance of this year, with the sanction of the Department,—I see no obstacle in your way to falling in to Koutze's place next year.

You will have my recommendation.—My Knee is getting on well and my lameness is leaving me.—

In one week from the day you last saw me at Ot. Bruce,—I reduced 10½ pounds,—I have since gained 5 pounds.—Hot weather, pulled me down.—

Yours Yr.

J. Phillips.
J.P.

2.

Hamilton, Oct
1st Sept. 1837.

My dear Stephen, —

Yours of 30th ultimo has
arrived! & for as I am concerned,
it might have gone in the
Newspaper box: must be more so
your complaints the punctuation, yet
your Newspaper, this business for the
moment yours, must come at the
me: but I will send it direct
to the Chairman of Superintendent
I will recommend that it be at
once transferred to you to
that you may get out the
dirt business concerning the matter
of Depositories and Catalogue. —

Will that do? are matters so
much to your mind yours? — H.

Believe me Yours faithfully, —
Capt. Ch: Thompson. Chairman.

My dear, Oct

Oldmont near Yeovil, Oct
are sorry that at such a distance
date, I could promise nothing: —
but having received the 2. Counts.
must further then for the balance
of this year, until the determination of
the Superintendent. I see no ob=
stacle in your way to falling
in the Newspaper place next year.
You will have my reason=
mendation. — My time as yet
being so much out my business is
leaving me. —

So we must pass the day
you but low me at Mr Ware, I
received his pamph. I have since
given a pamph. — Not weather
allows me to see. — —

Yours H.

Hamilton —

Esq. —

Hamilton! Ont.—
2nd Sept. 1887.—

Sir.—

I have the honor to send you herewith Bank draft No: 371.— for the sum of Twenty five dollars.—

Will you be pleased to apply this amount for this current year as follows:— viz:

1. William Sergeant, Brantford.— "For a Boat license to fish 4,200, yards of Cisco and Herring gill nets,— in Lake Ontario fronting on the County of Halton!"— amount herewith sent,— $5.00 c. 0.12

2. Robt: Walton, Brantford.— "For a Boat license to fish 4,500, yards of Cisco and Herring gill nets,— in Lake Ontario fronting on the County of Halton." amount is sent herewith.— $5.00 c. 0.12

3.— Wm. Pollock, Brantford! "For a Boat license to fish 4,000. yards of Cisco and Herring ~~and Herring~~ gill nets,— in Lake Ontario, fronting on the County of Halton." The amount will be shortly sent. $5.00 c. +

+ Not sent.

I recommend that you will be pleased to grant the foregoing licenses.—

4. Thomas Joyce, Brantford: "On account of Boat licenses already received and delivered this day.— to fish gill nets." $5.00 c. 0.12

5. Richard Joyce, Brantford: do,— do. $5.00 c.— 0.12

6. Robert Joyce, do,— do.— do.— do. $5.00 c.— 0.12

Respectfully submitted.—

John Wise.—

The Deputy Minister.— Fishery Branch.—
Department of Fisheries.

Ottawa, Ont.—

Townships! Dist:—

Dr. ... 2nd Sept. 1887 ...

I have this day received from Township Treasurer Dist. the sum of $171.— for the County Fine collected ...

Hereby you be informed to apply this amount for this current year as per Township Treasurer's Report.

1. Bridgeman Support Dr. — To a Dr. Balance of last year $200. Grants of Treasury and Housing grants made — in other Townships Paving on the County of Middlesex $22.

Amount received Dr. — $3.00

2. To Wm. Bridgeman Dr. — To a Dr. Balance of last year $300. Grants of Treasury and Housing grants made — in other Townships Paving on the County of Middlesex $22. Amount received Dr. — $3.00

3. Mr. Gilbert Dr. — To a Dr. Balance of last year $400. Grants of Treasury and Housing grants made — in other Townships Paving on the County of Middlesex. Amount received Dr. — $3.00

Treasurer's Report ...

4. Thomas Jones Dr. — To Amount of Dr. Balance of last year $400. Grants of Treasury and Housing grants made $3.00

5. Robert Jones Dr. — do. — do. $3.00

6. Robert Jones Dr. — do. — do. — do. $3.00

Respectfully submitted ...

Township

Township Treasurer.

Township of Middlesex.

Township, Dist.

Messrs: Jos. S. Bennet Esqrs.
Fisheries Department
Ottawa. Ont.

It is astonishing to me how you manage everything. To my welfare and happiness? — Why my friend, it was only on yesterday on my way to, and from Oconto. I was thinking how nice and pleasant a trip Mr Hilliary, Georgian Bay, would be for me this fall: when lo and behold you on my return to Hamilton Station G. T. Ry — I met my daughter with horse and buggy, — she takes me home, and your letter and papers, maps &c — with instructions &c. for Georgian Bay, — and the Georgian Bay fisheries. —

I was thinking about the matter, I longed for it! — that you had already arranged for me! such a thoughtful kind providing friend, as you always prove generally to be in my welfare. . . . .

I have read over carefully the papers petitions and letters. &c from Dalton McCarthy. &c. Alex. Clark. Storey. — Seaman — all appeared to the Stolen 5 years lease. — &c. a few years ago!!.

I will require the report I made in the Cotton and Stolen Monopoly. I made a few years ago. — the evidence taken then — from Albert Clark, and the persons (fishermen) most prominent in that enquiry. as it appears the very men who in connection with the Stolen Monopoly — have now become the ruling gilling syndicate of Georgian Bay. — How unreasonable they have become. — Well, you will now see how my reports will flatten these fishermen out completely. —

About "Close Season" for Salmon Trout

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and White Girl - I am all O.K. on the subject - you know the old saying - when a man puts his hand to the plough - he should not look back.

Every day in the newspaper - the steamer - the steamboat - the manner of the Gulbernes, the islands and the Rivers, are all familiar to me - Rotuma Kadavu, Lagemu Island, Club Island, and the Rewards - I have been in all these places before. —

Many thanks - for your kind advice, my reply is - your opening letter is sufficient - And with my warm regards and respects: believe me:

Your faithful humble servant, —

J. Hill Jun.

Hamilton, Cat.
8. Sept. 1887.

F.O.

3.

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Hamilton! Ont.
4. September 1887.

My dear Sir. –

Having reported the arrangements made by you and I. with Mr. Moss of St. Marys, and Messrs Charles and John Stewart of London – respecting certain changes in their Fishways – &c. The same has been approved of. . . .

You will now please urge the the others – Mill dam owners to complete their fishways: whether in the Mill Flume or Mill dam. –

Black Friars – dam – fishway will have to stand over for the present.

Spring Creek – dam – bears – waiting for the waste gates. – –

Byron dam, – fishway – not required – waste gates sufficient –

My object in writing you this: is – that I am under orders for

Georgian Bay, where I will have to remain for several days – making enquiries into several matters in connection with the Fisheries there. . . –

I am satisfied you will do all things right just and proper. –

Only for a telegram I received yesterday not to leave for Georgian Bay until you have given me sight S. O. Report, – I would be off on tomorrow! – I am glad to see that you have Smith – for poisoning fish in the Thames – near Oliver Mills. –

Mrs Kew and family all well. –

I am getting on well – and the last time I weighed 5 pounds more than I did a week before. –

With my warm regards to you and yours, – Believe me! –

Yours faithfully, –
John Kew –
F. O.

Peter McLean Esq.
London! Ont.

Hamilton! Sept.
4. September 1864

My dear Sir,—

Having reported the accompanying marks for your court of Middle Moor of the Village and Parish of Sherdley and for the Church of Clowden, respecting certain changes in their Endowments, &c. the same has been approved of ...

You will now please urge the other, which does seem unless he furnishes their Endowments, or which seem to be.

I am satisfied you will do all things right that must be done.

Only for a Reason I remain a particular not to have Yr Proposition from such you have been in Sept. 4. & Resent.— I would be off on Tuesday!— I am glad to see that you feel hurt.— Yr Pressing Business. Your Obedt. Servt.

Wm. Hamilton.

Rev. Wm. Roy
Clowden, Lancs.

Hamilton
Sept. 6.

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Wm. Y. Emery Esqre
Merchant &c.
Hamilton! - Ont. -
Ct. Burwell,
Ont.

4. Sept. 1887. -

My dear old Emery. -

I am under orders for to proceed to Georgian Bay, and all over it, to go as I can see at present, and such delightful weather. . . .

I intended starting on Monday morning only I got a telegram from the Premier, not to go, until I heard from him. . . .

I believe Queen B. Sharp, actually refused the sign Jackson claims, and that it was sent direct to him "Jackson", by the Department - Spoken of Conscience preventing him - was the reason he gave as I hear, to the Deputy Minister! for declining to do so. His conscience must have worked down since he signed

For next year I can promise nothing!! - One thing I will say to you in plain terms: that if Jackson is fishing in front of Houghton next year, he will have his 2, pound nets away from the Town line. - It is unfair to you and your partners. Jackson - need never expect any favours from me again. - Sharp, I presume encouraged him to be on his best friend! I talked pretty plain with Tilla - about Jackson. . . .

I have lived, through all the difficulties in life in Connection with the Fisheries! and I defy Jackson and Sharp, - to point out where I have erred, except it is in being too kind to 2 ignorant ungrateful lying pups. Our Mother of Queen is dead, a good Conservative. - I am thank God getting on well! Mrs Kerr and my family are all well: wishing you all well, I am

4. Yours faithfully John Kerr

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[illegible] Sept. 1889.

[illegible] Sunny.

I am under [illegible]
for it proved to [illegible] day.
but all over it, he gave us a [illegible]
for it passed and had [illegible]
[illegible] weather. . . .

I enclosed [illegible]
my money only I put [illegible]
gave [illegible] it passed not to
[illegible] such I found gave him . . .
I believe [illegible] I think [illegible]
[illegible] replied to [illegible]
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that to him [illegible] by [illegible]
[illegible] - [illegible] of [illegible]
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[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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[illegible] Sunny [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Sept. 1889.

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Isaac Parker's house, and the Reed's house of Houghton, although he boarded to Jackson; you should never have any interest in either of these houses.. He never writes to me any more: will to be candid with you! I cut quite prety for these things. I recommended that Mary should get $50. addition to his salary, and it was warmly backed up by the Deputy - altho the Sheriff would not go it.. Seeing a house the girl where it would damage Jackson and Parker, displeasant of Reed and Houghton; - blowing out the sun. science. That is provided he has any pecuniary difficulties. - I will be at home in the north I have to go on Georgian Bay - being there before, on a similar purpose. ---

I hope you all, Henry and the children are in good health and flourishing! - Kiss remembrance!

I am now 5. pounds heavier, than I was 3 weeks ago! I must improve.

I have a good deal of News to tell you when I come up again! -

There will be no change in the teaching this year, for white girl! - so I advise you and all concerned to make a good effort of yourselves between this and the first of November next. - I had a letter from Capt. Thompson last week, he tells about hanging Kentyre 2 pounds, and he wanted me to promise provided he done so, that he should have Kentyre granted next year.. Still I could promise to do, was that I would recommend Kentyre home to be transferred to the Captain for the balance of this year. —

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Hamilton! Ont.
6. September 1887.-

Sir,-

I have the honor to send you Bank draft No: 370. for the sum of One Hundred and fifty five dollars.---

Will you be pleased to apply this amount for this current year, as fishing licenses: as follows: - viz:

1. John Ellison Jr. Port Stanley,- "For balance in price of licence to fish 5 pound nets in Lake Erie, already received, countersigned, and Mailed this day." amount. $.125.00.
2. Joseph Masters, Niagara! "For Boat licence already received for to fish in Lake Ontario countersigned and delivered." - $.5.00.
3. Robert Bishop, Niagara! "For a Boat licence to fish two Boats in Lake Ontario at Niagara! already received, countersigned, and delivered" - - amount is, - $.10.00.
4. Patrick Hand, Wainfleet! "For a Boat licence to fish gill nets in Lake Ontario fronting on the township of Saltfleet and Grimsby already received countersigned, &c. - $.5.00.
5. John Titch, - Burlington Beach! - "For a Boat licence to fish 500 yards of Herring and Trout gill nets - in Lake Ontario, fronting on the township of Westwood" $5.00.

I recommend the same. -

6. William Titch, Burlington Beach: -
For do. do. do. do. - $.5.00.

Respectfully Submitted. Tot: $155.00.

J. H. Ellis -
Fishery Overseer. -

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries,
Ottawa! Ont. -

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[illegible] 1. [illegible] 1889.

I have the honor to send you herewith [illegible] for the sum of [illegible] dollars [illegible]

This you are requested to apply the amount for the annual pension payable from [illegible]:

1. John Allison of Fort Simpson. The balance due of pension for part of January [illegible] in lieu of pension previously [illegible] allowed, amount [illegible] $125.00

2. Joseph Martin, Hagwilget. The half pension already issued for the part in [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] $62.50

3. Robert Bailey, Hagwilget. The half pension for part for work in [illegible] [illegible] already issued, [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] $62.50

4. Daniel Moses, Kitsegukla. The half pension for part spent in [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] $62.50

5. John Tait, [illegible]. [illegible] $62.50

[illegible] $125.00

[illegible] $125.00

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Hamilton C. West.
6. September 1890.

Sir,

I have the honor to attach for your information, a letter which I received from Mr William Kane, of Burlington, M.P.P. for the County of Halton, has a special grant of the Fisheries, asking permission for to take sand and gravel off the 66 feet "Fishery Reserve" situated on Lake Ontario, Burlington Beach.

I recommend that you will be pleased to grant Mr Kane the gravel and sand he asks for. It is required for to grade the streets in the neat little village of Burlington, formerly known as Wellington Square.

Your predecessor through the Honorable Minister of Marine and Fisheries has already permitted Mr Andrew Gage and Company of Burlington, permission for to take gravel off the Fishery Reserve, to grade the Beach Road from Hamilton to Burlington Beach. Besides the Citizens of Hamilton have heretofore been allowed a like privilege, and they have never abused it. After every storm that happens the gravel is still washed on to the reserve from Lake Ontario.

Respectfully submitted and recommended.

D. McOrkle
Fishery Overseer

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Fisheries.
Ottawa, Ont.

Memo: for S. P. Bennett Esq.
Fisheries Department,
Ottawa: Ont.

Your telegrams and letters, the second charge for $100,- are received this afternoon too late to get the bollingement today. I will be off then on tomorrow morning... I have frequently heard it said - [illegible] expected to meet the Gentlemen while here....

I met Mr Brown in the City today... There is nothing in what he alludes to about the spearing in Burlington Bay:- He wishes to know why spearing hooks were removed off the Bay last winter, I explain the matter in the bay, from expected heavy rains - because so muddy that persons spearing could not see the fish - so we spear them and so they gave the spearing up, and took the spearing houses off the bay.. The thing most complained of, was the order issued by the Deputy - that fish could be speared but they could not be speared; this gave much dissatisfaction!- especially the old spearing parties; who declared to go out spearing at all; because as they told me they could not sit in their boat or house to spear fish and allow those the pass on gun! such a thing they never heard of before; so he has placed in a state of Confusion.. - I hope the Deputy will never issue such an order again any more.. - Mr Brown enquired if spearing would be allowed next winter, I told him I would

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recommend it — that on them, the second satisfied — I have a visit here from Mary: that, thing, treasure! he is finally fixed on the Three seasons for Colour Court, and white girl! he says. to-day more, from the letter part of October, added the Number, would make Three seasons — for Colour Court, and white girl! — Just as it stands he, that stands, I will arrange the rest out your notes. — And I sincerely thank you for your great aims. —

I shall know best day, &c. from, — sincerely. —

I will return at some time, what may suit me. — and I will keep your Note until I know as I think to. —

Thanking you for your great kindness and the Gallery, he will deliver me! You should have seen the letters, &c. &c. &c.

P.S.

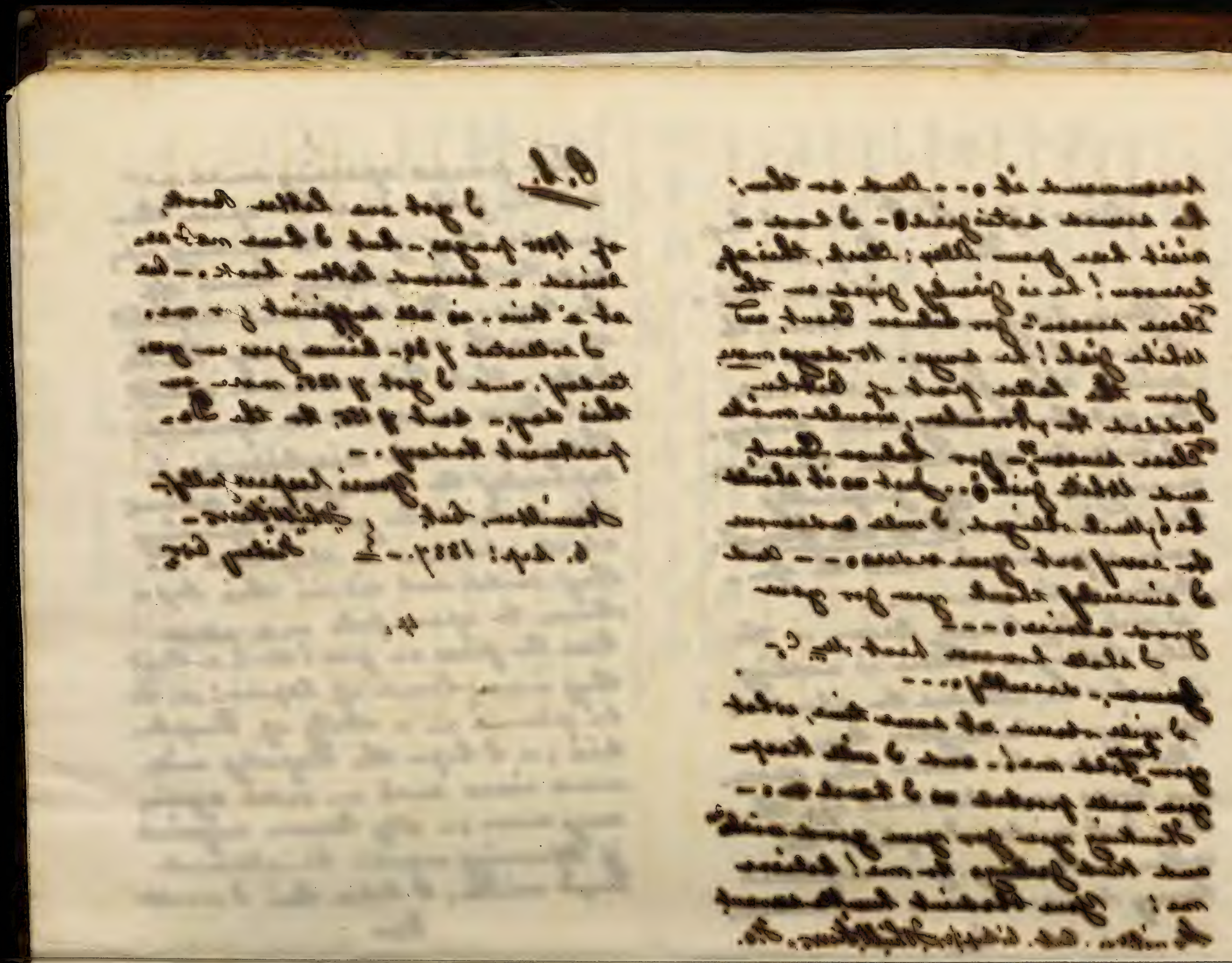
I got one letter Book, of 100 pages, — but I have not received a second letter book, — but at a time, is all sufficient for me.

I returned yesterday — hence your — your letter, and I got yr 100. more on this day, — but yr 100. to the Department today. —

Yours keenly willing

Hamilton, Ont. Sidney Lanier —

6. Sept. 1887. —



Mailed on 7th Sept. 1827.—

Mr Dan: Lovett,
Fishmonger.—
Port Dundas,—
Glas.

a Bottle
fishing line!—

Mailed on the 7th Sept. 1827.—

per William Scott,
Fishmonger,—
Buchie, P. Office.—

a P. Net
Printed Li-
cence!— } —"—

Mailed on 7th Sept. 1827.—

William Pollock,—
Fishmonger,
Brechin—
Ent.

a Bottle
Line for 1827.—

Mailed on 7th Sept. 1827.—

William Lyon,
Fishmonger,
Brechin,—
Ent.

a Bottle Fishing
Line for 1827.— 1/2

Mailed on 7th Sept. 1827.—

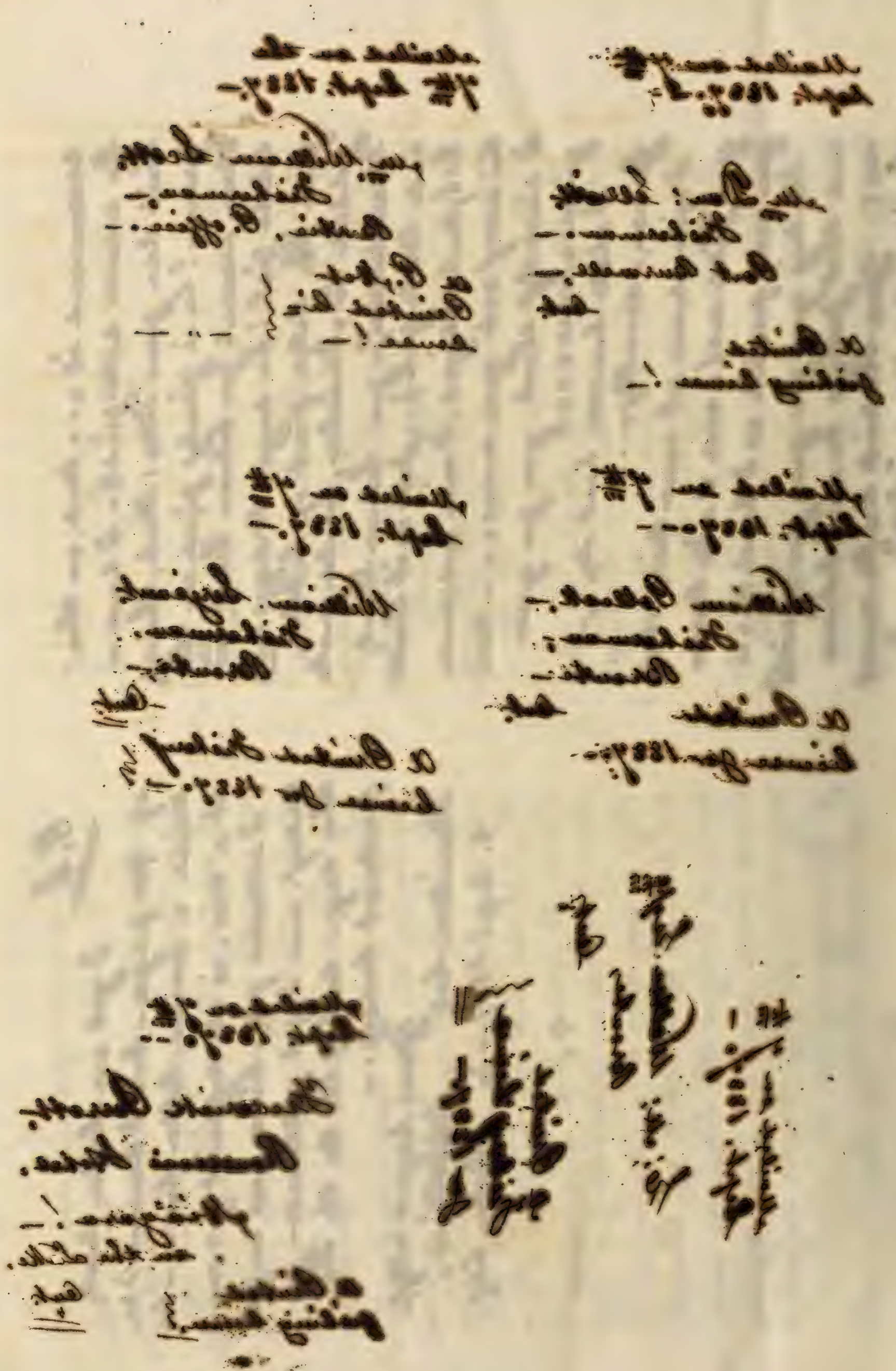
Fishing Tackle,
Rossie Place.

Stirling!—
on the Tile.

a Bottle
fishing Line } Ent.

Mailed on 7th Sept. 1827.—

Fishing Tackle,
Rossie Place.



Copy! –

William Bishop, is a Collingwood fisherman for the last 30 years, is married and has a wife, with two sons, young men both fishermen . . .

The proceedings of the Stokes and McDougall: Clark, in their endeavours to establish a large monopoly around Lyons Island, by leasing the Island from the Indian Department – to the disadvantage of all other fishermen, particularly the Collingwood fishermen, was a thing Collingwood fishermen would not stand . . .

That last season (1862) when the Stokes and Clark, leased Lyons island the Harbour and Tobermory; all the fishermen of Georgian Bay who required to fish for them and supply them with the fish they caught – the Stokes and Clark, pretended to have to leave Lyons Island . . . Then it was James Clark, of McKay and Clark, of Meaford, on Georgian Bay – stepped in and bought up all their fish . . After this it was; the Stokes entered the Law suit . . . .

Now follows the names of the Fishermen against whom the Stokes and Clark, brought the suit; as stated by Mr. W. Bishop! –

1. William Storey. – Collingwood. –
2. David McNichol . . do! –
3. Benjamin Dempsey . . . do! . –
4. Robert Lemon . . . do! . –
5. Robert Lemon . . . do! –
6. William Roberts. – do! –
7. William Lemon . . do! –
8. John Gorley . – do! –
9. Samuel Lemon! – do! . –
10. . John McDonnis . . do! –

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William Bishop, states that this year, the Bellingerone fishermen, built on the Shore, near a Point of their own, and stretches the line in, on or about the centre of the Herring shoal. And when they have lines this season, while fishing at that end of Georgian Bay: --- Without being further disturbed or molested. --- Mr. Bishop, states he gotts then last year, and this year also. -- And he sells to Alexander Black all the fish he caught, the price being 7s and 7½ d. per fish. --

Mr. Bishop, states he got along very peaceably with the Moles and Black, and has no trouble whatever with them. -- And his sons fishes for the Moles on the same terms he fishes for Black! viz. 7s. and 7½ d. per fish. --

Mr. Bishop, states: that during the present season, last summer, his son Robert Bishop, kept off fishing for the Moles! and went to fish for the American fishermen at the Rustands, near the Thread River, on the north shore of Georgian Bay. -- The reason Robert kept Moles, was he got 2 d. a piece for his fish which is so much to his advantage. --- And Robert is still there, fishing for the Americans. ---

Mr. Bishop, further says that Sandy Gailey, Robert McKinney, of Bellingerone, fishermen, also left the Moles, with Robert Bishop, and went to fish for the Americans - at the Rustands, at the same figure 2 d. per fish. --

James Black, and boy, - of Wiarton, - have permission to be supplied with fish this season, by the fishermen at Lyons Island, just the same as last year. -- Their boy from Wiarton, crossing the Lyons Island, daily, and took them

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[illegible] Bishop, [illegible] that [illegible] year, the [illegible] [illegible] pasture, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

money... The girl Gunsolus was sold, this
morning, to the keeper and block of Wilson, by the
Bellingham, jailer, bought off a price...

Mr. Philip, states he does not approve of
slaughtering, no matter under what term title or
name they may be called: Let the natives of
Georgian Bay, be free the British subjects, un-
der annual gipsy licenses, by the Indian De-
partment, Ottawa...

Mr. Philip, says! there is no objection to
Americans coming in the Georgian Bay, and buy-
ing our girl, treating unpaidin... But he
says: it is not right to admit them to girl
at the Rockwood in Georgian Bay, under Bent
licence! this season; being that Georgian Bay,
was already overstocked with Rocks, and gill
nets, particularly with her many gill nets...

Mr. Philip, states he gives 4% and
each gill nets this year...

The present Ottawa commr. for white girl,
and indian trust, is all right, it only requires
to be strictly looked upon by the Jailing officers
and with dangerous persons... Fishermen, who
report most about the Ottawa commr. are the
men who break the law... But during the
season, when a Bent comes in the Bellingham
Indian Still girl; it is enough to make a
man rise up, and go to breaking the law
himself! and he says Mr. Philip, of
Bellingham, a Fisherman...

Bellingham, Ont.
8th September 1887.

William Bishop, still continues his evidence, and says: That the Leasing of Lynx Islands, by the Indian Department, to the Nolans and Black, was an advantage whether the fishermen outside of that Lease, but the contrary! — It was done altogether to the sole advantage of the Nolans, Bishop, Black and Fong. Nothing intended in bettering; with: they dont pay give nets and other fishing materials... And this has been done since the extent of 6 or 7 months; during this season, perhaps more...

The fact of the case is, that if any gentlemen of the upper waters of Georgian Bay, — fishing in Kinmy, — applied for! the grants as the Nolans, Black and Bay, — the fairness to rights and privileges, — of all other fishermen of Georgian Bay, — residents of Collingwood, — when they see this fish the Nolans and Black, at their given price per fish... Mr Bishop further says: that Collingwood fishermen, in general are opposed to the leasing privilege any more of part of Georgian Bay, in consequence of the bad results, that are seen to follow....

When the Canadian shallow fishing this year, but spring in Georgian Bay, — at the Manitoulin, Nolans and Bay, — were then paying 4½ ¢. per fish, the Collingwood fishermen... Canadian fishermen buying fish, at 7½ ¢. per fish, — and they afterwards raised the price to 8 ¢. per fish, which is the price per fish they pay at present.... So that it is an advantage to Bishop, says the Collingwood fishermen, who sell their fish to the Canadian fishermen at present fishing at the Manitoulin. —

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But while the Americans are gone buyers, Mr. Philip says we are opposed to them as fishermen - fishing on one of our shore grounds off the Outside in Georgian Bay - under a Boat licence from the Fisheries Department, - Ottawa...

Mr. Philip says: there are 7 Boats at the Bruce Beach belonging to the Americans...

3 of these Boats belong to L. A. Dennis, Esq. of Detroit... and 3 Boats, belong to Mess.rs Lewis, of Algonia, on Lake Huron, Wiarton, Ont. The 7th Boat is not fishing; it is employed to carry the fish as they are caught from the Boats, in the Bruce Line - planes on this Bay - lying at the Government Dock - and then taken off to Algonia - Robert Armstrong - Witness, also and Corroborates this letter statement - as to the 7th Boat, being present at the time. - Says that he has spoken to the Americans and asked them his fish at 8¢ per fish...

James Black - Sen.r - of Wiarton - says 8¢ - per fish was the amount - from the start last spring....

Taken by me this day
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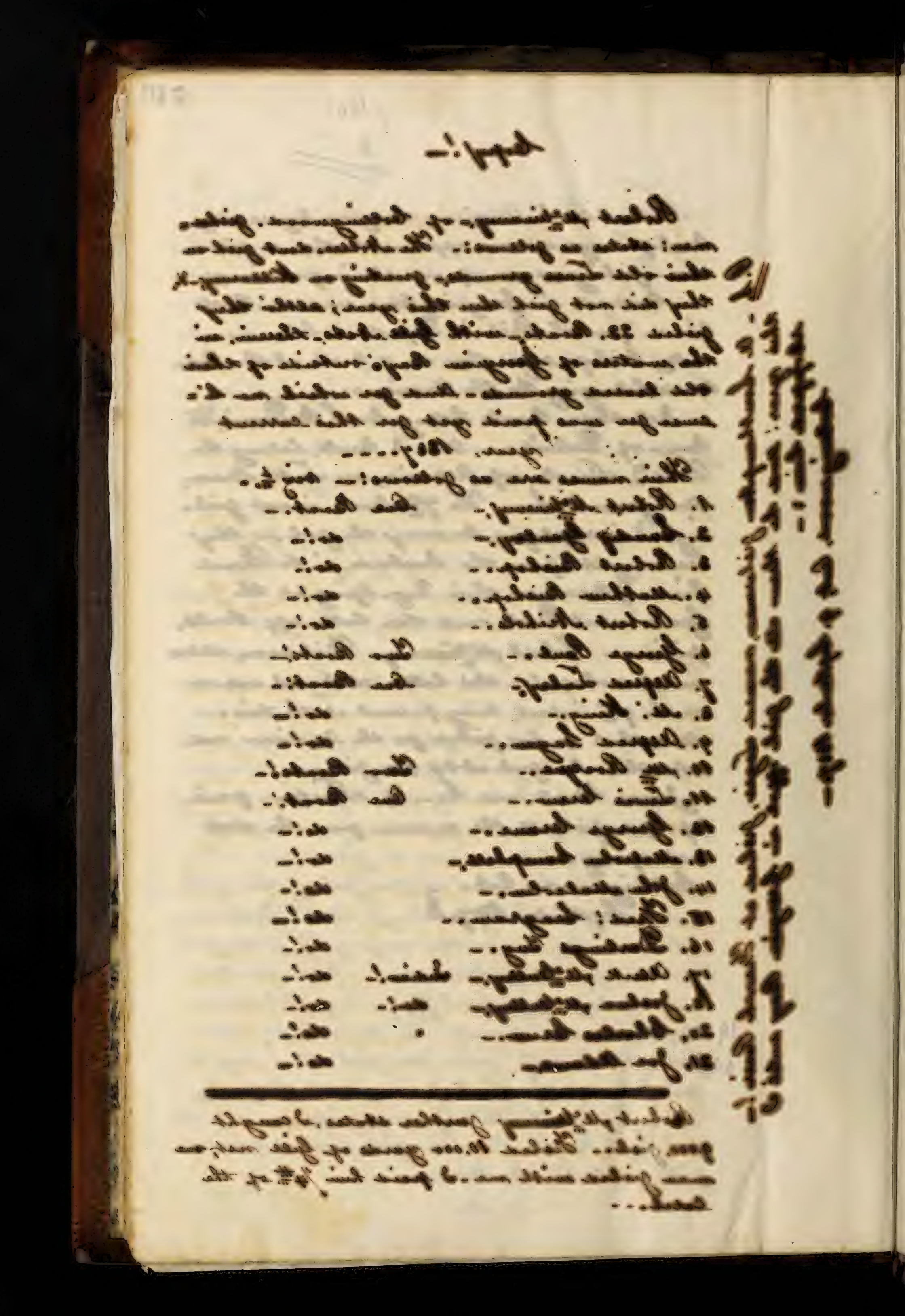
Wiarton - Ont. -
9. September 1897.

Copy!—

Robert McKinney & Co. Gentlemen: Enclosed we present you. The following list of fishermen who have engaged in fishing in the waters of Georgian Bay & outside of which the boats & nets belonging to you which we have paid out for this current year, 1867....

1. Robert McKinney.—	Chas Rankin.—	
2. Ludwig Gentley.—	do!—	
3. Robert Philip..	do!—	
4. Matthew Philip..	do!—	
5. Robert Nichols..	do!—	
6. George Rank..	Chas Rankin!—	
7. Angus Lubsch.—	Chas Rankin!—	
8. do. King..	do!—	
9. Angus King..	do!—	
10. Wm Rankin..	Chas Rankin!—	
11. Louis Brown..	Chas Rankin!—	
12. George Brown..	do!—	
13. Michael Kingston.—	do!—	
14. John Michael..	do!—	
15. Thos! Kingston..	do!—	
16. Hastings King..	do!—	
17. Alex. McKinney.—	Saim!—	do!—
18. John McKinney.—	do!—	do!—
19. Alexander Brown.—		do!—
20. Jas Alexander		do!—

Robert McKinney further states I caught some fish.. Fished 10,000 yards of fish net, one man fished with me. I paid him 1/4th of the earnings...



Hamilton! Ont.—
12. September 1842.

Sir,—

With reference to my report to you of the 21st of July last, regarding the efficient state in which I found the Fishery at Mr. George Gordons,—Mile,—Chippewa River, Saugeen River, Southampton,—

I now send you a most satisfactory letter, dated the 6th of September instant, accompanied by four certificates, signed by seven respectable persons,—of the locality,—including Mr. George Gordon.— It is to be regretted that any person by either word or deed should report to the Fishery Department, reflecting on the inefficient state of this Fishery.— This reflecting on an honest honorable man character Mr. George Gordon: who constructed the Fishery, as no other man could do it according to the Model and Specification, and under my humble superintendence and opinion.—

I may add you could see the Fishery,—now in as good repair, as efficient and as valuable for the purpose for which it was constructed; on 21st of July last, as it was on the day it was first completed and finished.— I recommend that you will be pleased to forward the Memorial, &c. &c. with a copy of the certificates Nos: 1. 2. 3. and 4.— and return the one also, Mr. Gordons letter.— Respectfully submitted

J. Wilkes—
Fishery Overseer.

The Honorable Minister,
&c. &c. &c.
Ottawa, Ont.

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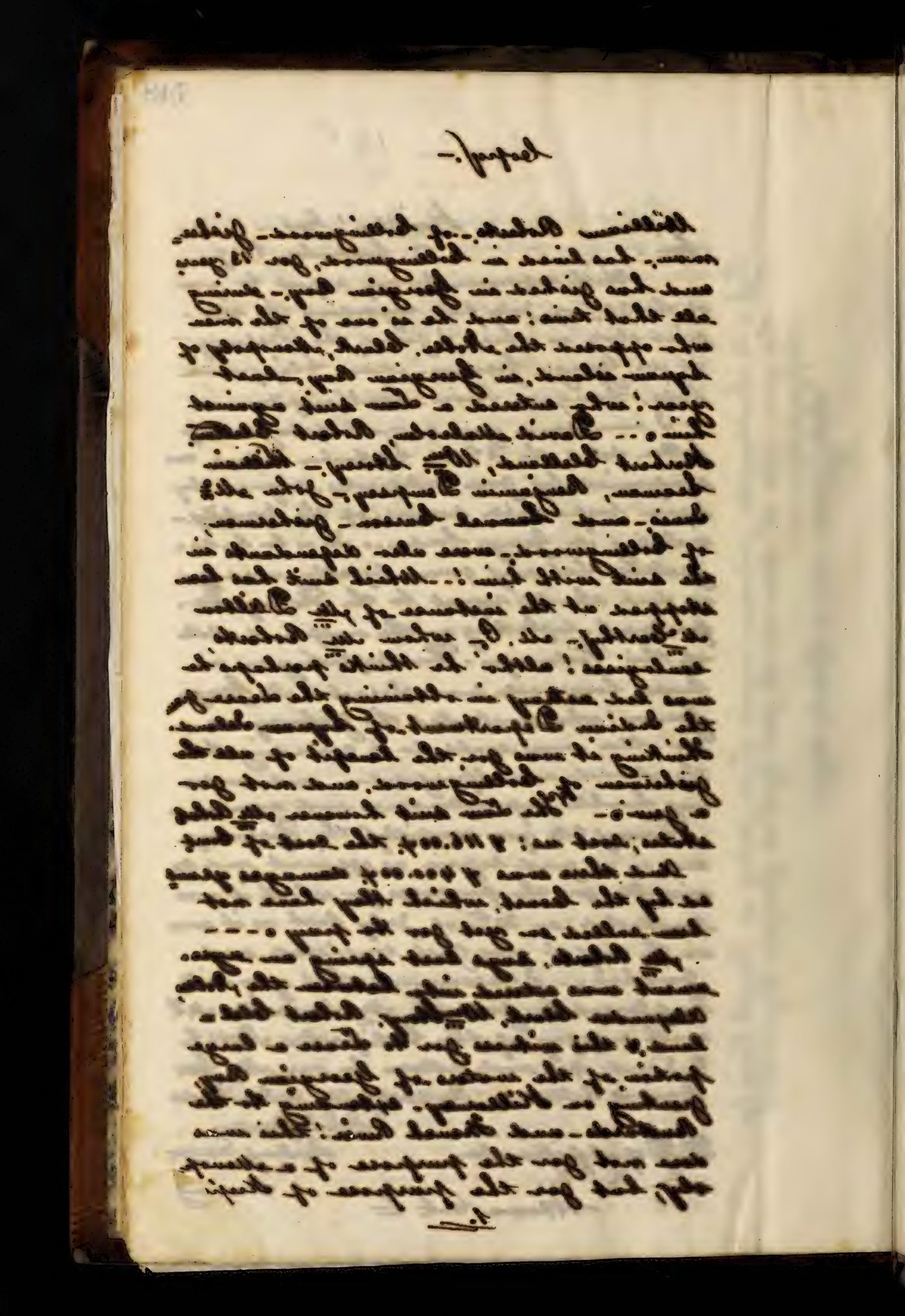
Corpus.-

William Roberts, of Bellingham, fisherman, has lived in Bellingham, for 18 years, and has fished in Georgian Bay, during all that time; and he is one of the men who opposed the Stolen Black Dempsey of Squaw island, in Georgian Bay, last year: who entered a Law suit against him. -- David Malcolm, Robert Black, Herbert Bellant, Wm. Henry, Alexander Lawson, Benjamin Dempsey, John McDavis, and Samuel Lawson, fishermen, of Bellingham, were also defendants in the suit with him! -- Which suit has been stopped at the instance of Mr. Dillon McCarthy, M. P. P. when Mr. Roberts complains! altho' he thinks perhaps he was but acting in obtaining the leave from the Indian Department of Squaw Island. thinking it was for the benefit of all the fishermen of Bellingham, and not for a few. -- The Law suit between Mr. Abbs & others, cost us: $116.00; the cost of Court. Then there were $400.00 damages given us by the Court, which they have not been collected or got for the poor. ---

Mr. Roberts, says last spring an agreement was entered into between the Indian Department, Wm. Henry, Robert Bellanc, & this witness for the leave a large portion of the waters of Georgian Bay fishing in Killarney, extending to the Manitoulin, and Drummond Rocks: This was done not for the purpose of a monopoly, but for the purpose of keeping



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out all outsiders: from the intended Lease as premises applied for, when granted:— "And for the benefit of Killarney, and belonging to fishermen indiscriminately. This Lease was not granted"....

And Mr Roberts adds, I dont blame the mail to tell you the truth.— Because when the Mullins got their Lease, we fought against it.... But had to sell them our fish, at their own price, or we could not sell them at all.... Mr Roberts says, you may see that our Lease application for a Lease, last spring was on a different basis.

Mr Roberts says, things have settled down, we are all at peace once more, and I for one wish all disagreeable things to stop. + Mr Roberts says, I am willing to pay the Sixpence, my share of the Lease of Lower Island! that is if we have to pay, Mr Roberts says the "three seasons" for Trout and White fish; is all right, only it requires to be strictly enforced.... Mr Roberts, fished 4½ inch mesh, during this season.— Mr Roberts says I caught £1100 worth of fish: a person named Roberts, fished with him during this season, and received 1/10 of the £1100 as his share.— Fished 4½.— I persuade Mr Roberts, further states, when the fishermen had the meeting last summer in Killarney, and Dillon McCarthy, M. P. addressed the same: he assured Mr Clark, with desiring him: about having Lower Island, and the leasing of Bay water Killarney, 8. Sep: 1882.

+ or the! + when that we have asked + we are, if it is hard for Lab Pharaoh despe

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Copy! -

William Storey, of Collingwood, a gentleman of 18 years standing. - One of the persons who applied for the new Line of the Bellie waters of Georgian Bay, with the Nolans, Clark, Roberts, and Robert Williams, of Collingwood, posting on Killarney and including the waters of Georgian Bay down as far as the Rockwoods and Manitoulin Island, including the valuable fishing ground, fronting on the Island. - They down as far the height of all the Georgian Bay fishermen, and for the King without money. - Mr. Storey says he fished there this Summer and he sold his fish to James Clark, of Wiarton, at 4 p. per fish. That for the present has stopped fishing and returned home to Collingwood. - Mr. Storey says he fished 4½" inch mesh gill nets. - He is opposed to the 4½" inch mesh gill net, and is also opposed to Americans being permitted for the fish and catch fish in our waters, without the Northern Georgian Bay. - This known. -

Persons at present are there two many of our own people fishing. - The mesh gill net fishing is being carried on in Georgian Bay at present. Fishing is carried on for miles there. - The Americans at the Northern Georgian Bay fish 6" 5½ 4¾" and 4½" inch mesh gill nets, and some of the gill nets of the American fishermen - fishing at the Northern Georgian Bay, being on an average the 4½" mesh gill net, being under white fish, which he thinks should be put a stop to at once. - There are some American boats at present at the Northern Georgian Bay, fishing the

Continued :—

Mr. Henry does not approve of the American Gaoling in our colonies as the Northern Gaoling — French Rivers! because we are already overstocked, we wish the Gaols of our own British Gaolers — Mr. Henry further states that such is the very sad manner that things are managed at present in Georgia Bay! for instance at Lyons Island: The Indians and Negro Slaves, give up a lot of their Bretts, and say they will not give out in proportion for being any thing for the benefit of the old American Gaolers — Mr. Henry says: in fact the Gaoling officers do not interpose in any way whatever, but you will see in some of these Gaolers, we injure our old Gaolers — The last season in getting the Lives of Lyons Island, from the Indians. The gentlemen, were for the purpose of securing the Gaolers of Georgia up: so that they broke out with their Gaol every of their people, and it was this that saved the whole Gaol — Because if we neither have our Gaol, we must accept the Indians, our Slaves, people, or we should not with of our Gaolers that it was that it was other Gaolers from Georgia, accepted for the Lives of the Large

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[illegible] of [illegible] of Georgia Bay. [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for this [illegible]? [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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No. 15.

Respd! –

Samuel Barron, of Collingwood, is a Fisherman of higher grade standing. – He opposed the old monopoly of James and Charles McKay, who had then under lease for five years in Georgian Bay, fishing on Killarney, Lyons Island &c. He states he is also opposed to the new monopoly of the Stollers and Mess. Alex. Black, in acquiring a large portion of the fishing waters of Georgian Bay, fishing on Killarney, and extending north and fishing on French River, and the Mustards. –

Samuel Barron, states I was for the lease of Lyons Island, obtained by the Stollers, Alex. Black and Bay, – so long as it was fairly awd. Mr. Barron states he was one of the persons Stollers and Bay, took law proceedings against because he sold his fish to James Black and McKay and Bay, – of Toronto, at an advance in price over their price. – Sold to James Black, McKay and Bay, at 8d per fish, – whilst Stoller and Bay, – always only pay 7d. for each fish. – The law suit is all dropped, & not was put to it by Dalton McCarthy, and things are now all settled down. – The only thing to complain of now, are the Russians fishing at the Mustards – in Georgian Bay, – and these people should be removed, because have at present, already more native fishermen, and girls nets, – on Georgian Bay, – there is necessary – have too many fishermen, fishing too many girls nets – fishing too close – and throwing most other in Georgian Bay, at the Commencement this season, until we recently gave up fishing there and returned home to Collingwood. –

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The Lagan Island, – difficulty being settled down, he remains there, with the fishing season for this season, every thing being peace and quietness when he leaves there for Ballymena. –

But my Brother does not expect any further difficulties the ensue, being at present on good terms with the Potters and Black, due no longer, nor of any thing towards any one. – My Brother has given his charge this year of his Boy: The Workman, Orwell, if he even come to be in any one point it, on the best of terms with Potter, Black, and the Potters. – My Brother goes on Wages:

The Brothers fishing grounds of Georgian Bay, – have been the main fishing grounds of the Ballinguare fishermen, for years past, – the lines and nets the grounds were the Dominion fishermen: but because were injured the Ballinguare fishermen, accidentally. –

But I must begin, says: it is the main plan in Georgian Bay – for down south, in each year, for the fish and trout fishing.

The manage fish caught by the Bay Men, – for such, were sold then Thus, – selling for pounds the Potter, Black. – It was the Long, Brothers – of Ballinguare – Cleveland, Richmond Potter, Black, to go into Partnership with James and Thomas Miller, – of Kilmacrennan and Ballinguare. – At Lagan Island, in fishing and in bearing the nets and the Brothers there gave the Indian Partners. – This partnership is now dissolved, and Potter: Black, is off to Lake Superior to fish fishing there.

Ballinguare Cot, –
10. September 1867.

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Copy! — H.S.

David Malcolm, of Collingwood, fisherman, fished at Squaw Island, Georgian Bay — during this season — fished one Boat with 24 Nets, 600 yards each; 5" inch mesh! — Caught 1,200, dollars worth of fish, sold to James Blair; of Wiarton, by the piece, at 8 c. per fish; — went in to "Squaw island" — from the Indian Department, last year, but does not want the Island, unless we can obtain the waters of Georgian Bay, as applied for this year. — Made the application for the waters of Georgian Bay, within certain limits in good faith as a benefit for all Georgian bay, fishermen. — Georgian Bay fishermen had no objection to any of their brother fishermen coming on to the waters, alluded to, to fish, nor on the Squaw Island — either — Nets from Owen Sound, Meaford, Lyons Head, and Collingwood, with gill nets, — the property of fishermen, from these places — fished at Squaw Island, this year, and for last 4, or 5 years — And no objection was raised by him to their doing so. — Last year objection was raised by Mr Miller, and Alex: Clark, to keep him off Squaw Island. —

Mr Malcolm says — last spring the American fishermen, "Head of Lincoln, and bay" came in from the United States, — to Georgian Bay, for the fish, and encamped at the mouth of Pamet River, near the Government Dock, wanted to buy his fish, which he declined to sell to them — Their Americans were fishing themselves, — at the time; they were rowing round in a boat, trying to buy

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up fish.— This was last spring —
The Americans have continued fishing all this present season in the waters of Georgian Bay, from the Bustards.—
Mr. Malcolm, states he does not want them there any longer, after this season, when their Licences terminates and expires.— Because we have already too many fishermen, and fifty sets of our own fishing in the waters of Georgian Bay.— The fishing is being ruined, and arrangements should be made by the Fisheries Department, at Ottawa, for the protection of the old resident fishermen of Georgian Bay; as against Foreigners.—
Keep all Foreigners out of Georgian Bay.— because as Mr. Malcolm says.— It is an inland Lake of water;— and the Americans, should be kept off Georgian Bay.—
Heard the Fishermen.— Americans,— at the Bustards.— Where the fish offal is to the waters of Georgian Bay.— But Collingwood fishermen he heard stopped them.—
The Americans bring fish in their Tug from Alpena,— Michigan, U. S.— where they bring back the fish to, packed up in the Dress— ing of their fishermen,— Robert Dawson, told Davis Malcolm, that next year, the Americans intend bringing Boats in, from United States to fish and buy fish.— Boats, is now shipping fish, at Duluth.— Malcolm states, that Dawson told him, they fish 12 fifty nets in a gang, and 4 gangs in each boat, each net is 100 yards long.— Great pains has always been taken by Georgian Bay.

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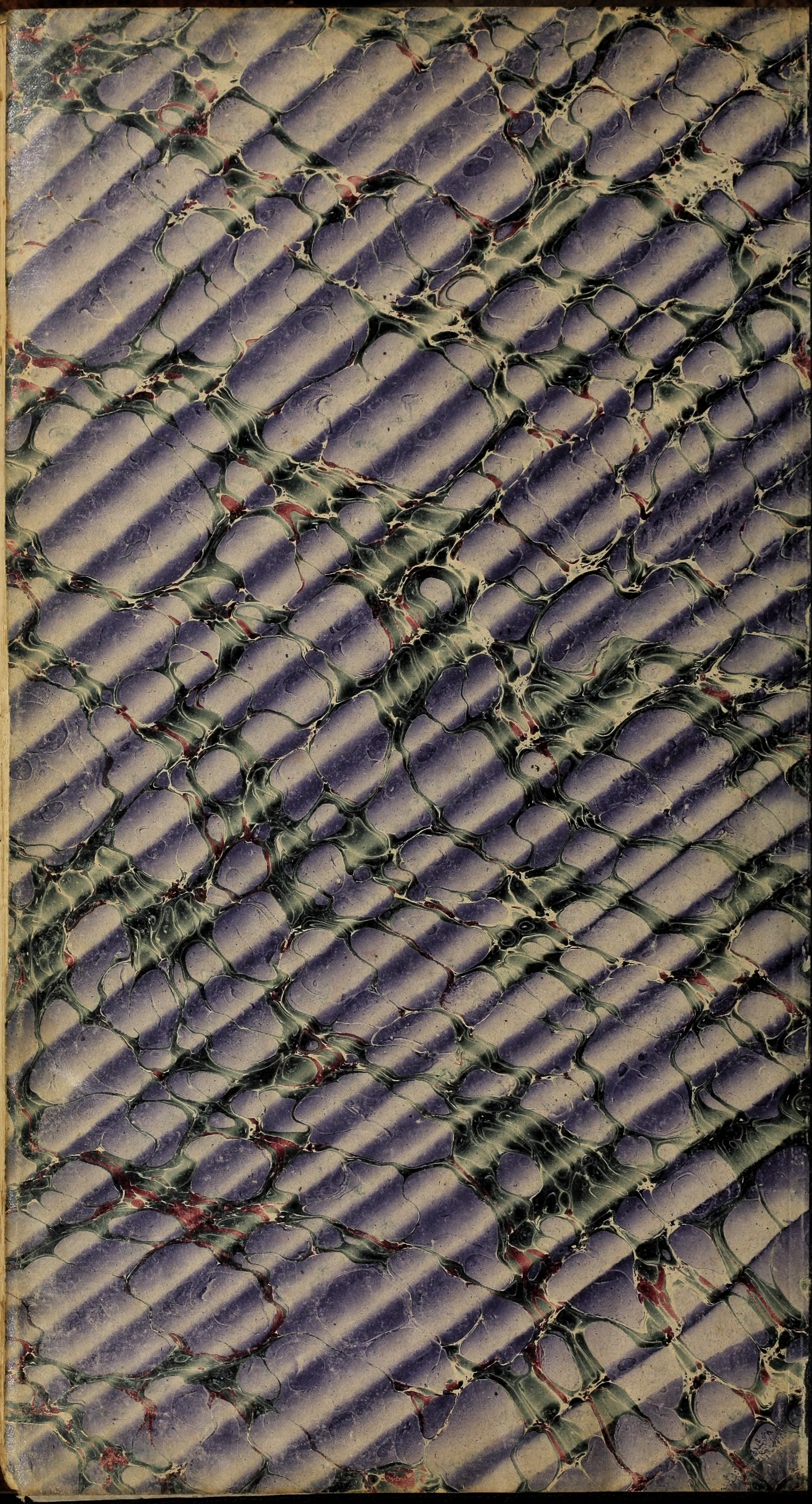
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